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### Shooting victims remembered: 'The loss is incalculable'

Rabbi Jeffrey Myers of Tree of Life/Or L'Simcha Congregation hugs Rabbi Cheryl Klein of Dor Hadash Congregation on the stage in Soldiers & Sailors Memorial Hall & Museum during a community gathering held in the aftermath of a deadly shooting at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Associated Press.

By CLAUDIA LAUER, JENNIFER PELTZ and MARYCLAIRE DALE, Associated Press

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — They were professors and accountants, dentists and beloved doctors serving their

local community. A day after the shooting at a Pittsburgh synagogue that left 11 dead, officials released

the names of the victims. The oldest of them was 97.

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# Wait times for citizenship applications stretch to 2 years

By AMY TAXIN, Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — More than 700,000 immigrants are waiting on applications to become U.S. citizens, a process that once typically took about six months but has stretched to more than two years in some places under the administration of President Donald Trump. The long wait times have prompted some immigrant advocates to ask whether the delays are aimed at keeping anti-Trump voters from casting ballots in elections.

"People are motivated to participate, and they're being frustrated from being able to participate in the elections they're excited about," said Manuel Pastor, director of the University of Southern California's Center for the Study of Im-



In this Sept. 18, 2018 photo Sameeha Alkamalee Jabbar, center, from Orange County sits during a naturalization ceremony in Los Angeles. Alkamalee Jabbar who is originally from Sri Lanka, said the process took ten months and at times she worried but knew about the backlog. More than 700,000 immigrants are waiting on their applications to become U.S. citizens, a process that in many parts of the country now takes a year or more.

Associated Press.

migrant Integration. The number of immigrants

aspiring to become U.S. citizens surged during 2016, jumping 27 percent from a year earlier as Trump made cracking down on immigration a central theme of his presidential campaign. At first, the federal government kept up with the applications, but then the wait grew. Backlogs are nothing new in the U.S. immigration system. It often takes years to receive asylum or to be deported. But naturalization — the final step to become an American citizen, obtain a U.S. passport and receive voting rights — had not been subject to such delays in recent years.

Now the average wait time for officials to decide on applications is more than 10 months. It takes up to 22 months in Atlanta and as long as 26 months in parts of Texas, according to official estimates.

Trump tweeted on Thursday that Central American migrants headed north in a U.S.-bound caravan should return home and can apply for American citizenship if they wish. "Go back to your Country and if you want, apply for citizenship like millions of others are doing!" he posted as thousands continued their trek through Mexico.

But immigrants generally must be legal permanent residents of the United States to apply for citizenship and getting a green card can take years — if a person even qualifies for one. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services said the longer waits to naturalize are because of the surge in applications, not slower processing. The agency decided 850,000 cases in 2017, up 8 percent from a year before.

Despite "a record and unprecedented" spike in applications, the agency is operating more efficiently and "outperforming itself," spokesman Michael Bars said in a statement.

To become an American citizen, immigrants must hold green cards for at least three years, demonstrate good moral character and pass English and

civics tests. Citizenship applications typically rise before an increase in filing fees and during presidential election years as immigrants get excited about the prospect of voting and advocacy groups conduct widespread outreach to try to get more eligible voters to the polls.

Enrique Robles, 32, said he applied to naturalize as soon as he was eligible after living in the U.S. most of his life. When he didn't hear about the status of his application, Robles, who is originally from Mexico, started to worry.

More than a year later, he said, he was called to an interview where an immigration officer questioned whether he should have been issued a green card in the first place, a concern he was able to quickly dispel by explaining that his father had legitimately sponsored him.

"With this administration, it feels like more they are looking for possibilities to kick people out," said Robles, who took his citizenship oath in September.

Keeping potential citizens from voting could have an effect, but it could also drive their relatives and friends to the polls in greater numbers. "The naturalization delays have a huge cost in stopping some people" from voting, but they "have a huge impact in motivating others," said Jeremy Robbins, executive director of New American Economy, a bipartisan group in support of immigration. Competitive districts that have a large number of foreign-born residents are likely to be among those where naturalization delays could matter most. Those include districts in California's Orange County and in Texas and New Jersey, Robbins said.

At a recent naturalization ceremony in Los Angeles, some new citizens said the process seemed long to them, while others said it flew by in a matter of months. Key for many was being able to travel with an American passport and being able to vote. □

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## Shooting victims remembered: 'The loss is incalculable'

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The youngest was 54. They included a pair of brothers and a husband and wife. Said Stephen Cohen, co-president of New Light Congregation: "The loss is incalculable."

### CECIL AND DAVID ROSENTHAL: 'SWEET, GENTLE, CARING MEN'

Cecil and David Rosenthal went through life together with help from a disability-services organization. And an important part of the brothers' lives was the Tree of Life synagogue, where they never missed a Saturday's services, people who knew them say.

"If they were here, they would tell you that is where they were supposed to be," Chris Schopf, a vice president of the organization ACHIEVA, said in a statement.

Achieva provides help with daily living, employment and other needs, and the organization had worked for years with Cecil, 59, and David, 54, who were among the 11 killed in Saturday's deadly shooting. They lived semi-independently, and Cecil was a person who was up for all sorts of activities: a concert, lunch at Eat 'n Park — a regional restaurant chain known for its smiley-face cookies — even a trip to the Duquesne University dining hall, recalls David DeFelice, a Duquesne senior who was paired with him in a buddies program. "He was a very gregarious person — loved being social, loved people. ... You could put him any

situation, and he'd make it work," chatting about the weather or asking students about their parents and talking about his own, says DeFelice.

And when DeFelice recognized Hebrew letters on Cecil's calendar, the elder man was delighted to learn that his buddy was also Jewish and soon invited him to Tree of Life.

DeFelice joined him on a couple of occasions and could see that Cecil cherished his faith and the sense of community he found at temple.

Emeritus Rabbi Alvin Berkun saw that, too, in Cecil, who according to his obituary was known as "the honorary mayor of Squirrel Hill," and David, who worked at Goodwill Industries.

"They really found a home at the synagogue, and people reciprocated," he said.

Cecil carried a photo in his wallet of David, whom Schopf remembers as a man with "such a gentle spirit."

"Together, they looked out for each other," she said.

"Most of all, they were kind, good people with a strong faith and respect for everyone around."

The two left an impression on state Rep. David Frankel, who sometimes attends services at Tree of Life and whose chief of staff is the Rosenthals' sister.

"They were very sweet, gentle, caring men," Frankel said. "... I know that this community will really mourn their loss because they were such special people."

### BERNICE AND SYLVAN SIMON: HELPING OTHERS AS A TEAM

Bernice and Sylvan Simon were always ready to help other people, longtime friend and neighbor Jo Stepaniak says, and "they always did it with a smile and always did it with graciousness."

"Anything that they could do, and they did it as a team," she said.

The Simons were fixtures in the townhome community on the outskirts of Pittsburgh where they had lived for decades. She'd

served on the board, and he was a familiar face from his walks around the neighborhood, with the couple's dog in years past.


Sylvan, 86, was a retired accountant with a good sense of humor — the kind of person his former rabbi felt comfortable joking with after Sylvan broke his arm a couple of weeks ago. (The rabbi, Alvin Berkun, quipped that Sylvan had to get better so he could once again lift the Torah, the Jewish holy scripture.) Bernice, 84, a former nurse, loved classical music and

devoted time to charitable work, according to Stepaniak and neighbor Inez Miller.

And both Simons cared deeply about Tree of Life synagogue.

"(They) were very devoted, an active, steady presence," said Berkun, the rabbi emeritus at the temple, where the couple was among those massacred Saturday.

The Simons had married there in a candlelight ceremony nearly 62 years earlier, according to the Tribune-Review. □



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# Police: Synagogue gunman said 'I just want to kill Jews'

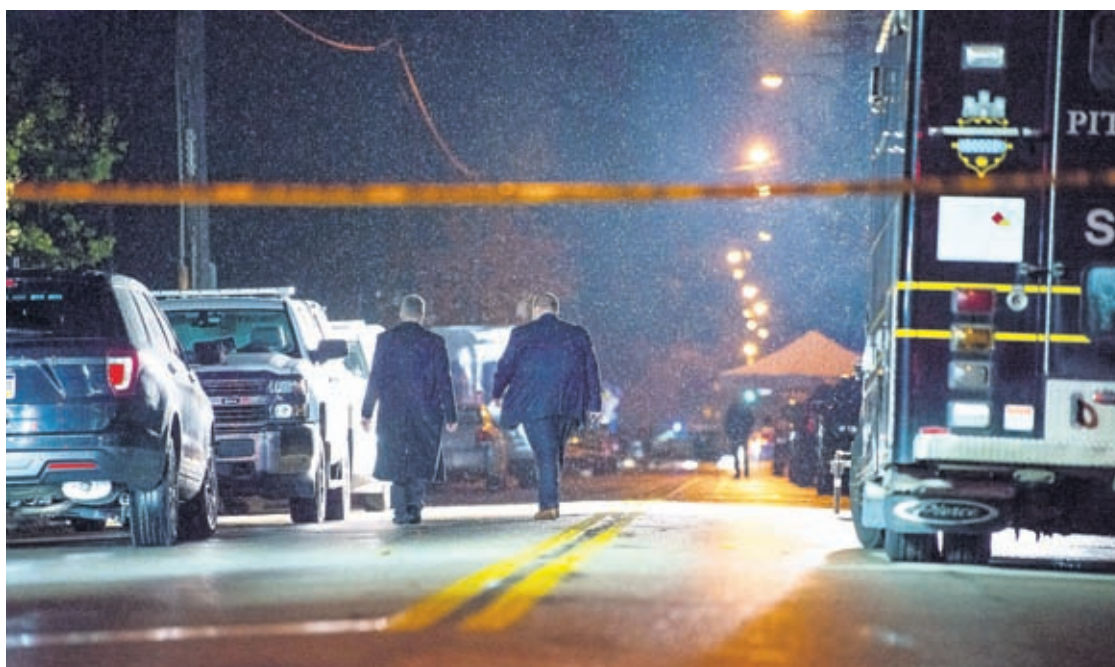
By **MARK SCOLFORO, CLAUDIA LAUER and ALLEN G. BREED, Associated Press**

**PITTSBURGH (AP)** — Tributes rolled in Sunday to the victims of the Pittsburgh synagogue massacre as authorities worked to piece together the background and movements of the suspected gunman, who authorities said expressed hatred of Jews as he opened fire with an AR-15 rifle and other weapons and later told police, "All these Jews need to die."

Robert Gregory Bowers killed eight men and three women inside the Tree of Life Synagogue on Saturday during worship services before a tactical police team tracked him down and shot him, authorities said in state and federal affidavits made public on Sunday.

Six people were injured in the attack, including four officers.

Officials released the names of all 11 of the dead, all of them middle-aged or elderly. The victims included intellectually disabled brothers and a husband



The FBI investigates in the rain after an active shooter situation at the Tree of Life Congregation on Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018, in the Squirrel Hill section of Pittsburgh.

and wife. The youngest was 54 and the oldest was 97. "The loss is incalculable," said Stephen Cohen, co-president of New Light Congregation, which rents space at Tree of Life.

Mayor Bill Peduto called it the "darkest day of Pittsburgh's history."

Bowers shot his victims with an AR-15 — the weapon used in many of the nation's mass shootings —

and three handguns, all of which he owned legally and had a license to carry, according to a law enforcement official who wasn't authorized to discuss the ongoing investigation, and spoke Sunday on condition of anonymity.

Little else was known about Bowers, who had no apparent criminal record but who is believed to have expressed virulently anti-

Semitic views on social media. It appears he acted alone, authorities said.

His neighbor, Chris Hall, said he never heard or saw anything to indicate that Bowers harbored anti-Semitic views or posed a threat. Bowers kept to himself, he said. "The most terrifying thing is just how normal he seemed," Hall said. "I wish I knew what was going on inside his head. Maybe

Associated Press.

something could have been done. I don't know." The victims included Melvin Wax, a retired accountant in his late 80s who was always one of the first to arrive at synagogue and among the last to leave.

"He and I used to, at the end of services, try to tell a joke or two to each other," said Myron Snider, a fellow member of New Light Congregation, which rented space in the basement of Tree of Life. "Most of the time they were clean jokes. Most of the time. I won't say all the time. But most of the time."

The toll also included professors, dentists and physicians.

The University of Pittsburgh Medical Center tweeted it mourned the loss of Dr. Jerry Rabinowitz, 66, "one of the kindest physicians and human beings in our community."

Two other victims, Cecil Rosenthal, 59, and his younger brother David Rosenthal, 54, were intellectually disabled and lived together in Pittsburgh's Squirrel Hill neighborhood, near the synagogue where they were killed.

"Cecil's laugh was infectious. David was so kind and had such a gentle spirit. Together, they looked out for one another. They were inseparable," said Chris Schopf, vice president of residential supports for ACHIEVA, which helped the brothers live independently. "Most of all, they were kind, good people with a strong faith and respect for everyone around."

Vigils were planned in Pittsburgh, Washington and elsewhere, while the Pittsburgh Steelers and Cleveland Browns observed a moment of silence at Heinz Field on Sunday.

Bowers apparently posted an anti-Semitic message on a social media account linked to him just a few minutes before he opened fire during Sabbath services on Saturday morning. After the attack, he told an officer, "I just want to kill Jews," according to a federal affidavit. □

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# Migrant caravan rests; 2nd group seeks entry into Mexico

By **CHRISTOPHER SHERMAN**, Associated Press  
**TAPANATEPEC, Mexico**  
**(AP)** — Thousands of Central American migrants took a break Sunday on their caravan's long journey through southern Mexico while vowing to press ahead toward the U.S. border roughly 1,000 miles away. Hundreds more migrants pushed for entry into Mexico at the Guatemala border.

The new group of migrants, who called themselves a second caravan, gathered on a bridge after forcing their way through a gate at the Guatemalan end in the town of Tecun Uman. At the same time, about 300 Salvadorans departed from San Salvador hoping to make their way to the U.S. as a group. Some of the migrants in the initial caravan, now estimated at 4,000 people, rested on Sunday in the shade of tarps strung across the town plaza or picked up trash in the southern Mexico town of Tapanatepec, population 7,500. Others soaked themselves in the nearby Novillero river.

Tensions from a long trek through searing heat with tenuous supplies of food and other goods spilled over Saturday night when a dispute in a food line devolved into a beating. Many in the caravan have been on the road for more than two weeks, since the group first formed in San Pedro Sula, Honduras.

Raul Medina Melendez, security chief for the tiny municipality in Oaxaca state, said the town was distributing sandwiches and water to migrants camped in the central square Saturday night when a man with a megaphone asked people to wait their turn. Some hurled insults at the man with the megaphone, then they attacked him, Medina said. Police rescued the man as he was being beaten and took him to a hospital for treatment, though his condition wasn't immediately clear. On Sunday, several in the caravan took to microphones to denounce the attack. "Is that the way we're going to always behave?" a woman from Honduras asked. Others complained of trekkers smoking marijuana or warned that images of litter and uneaten food made them appear disrespectful. The group planned to set out early Monday for Niltpec, 70 kilometers (43 miles) to the northwest in Oaxaca state. The caravan still must travel 1,000 miles (1,600 kilometers) to reach the nearest U.S. border crossing at McAllen, Texas. The trip could be twice as long if the 4,000 or so migrants head for the Tijuana-San Diego frontier, as another caravan did earlier this year. Only about 200 in that group made it to the border.

Most of the migrants in the caravan appeared determined to reach the U.S.,



**Migrants walk along the road after Mexico's federal police briefly blocked the highway in an attempt to stop a thousands-strong caravan of Central American migrants from advancing, outside the town of Arriaga, Mexico, Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018.**  
Associated Press.

despite an offer of refuge in Mexico.

Mexican President Enrique Pena Nieto launched a program Friday dubbed "You are home," which promises shelter, medical attention, schooling and jobs to Central Americans who agree to stay in the southern Mexico states of Chiapas or Oaxaca, far from the U.S. border.

Mexico's Interior Ministry said Saturday that temporary identity numbers had been issued to 111 migrants, which would allow them to stay and work in Mexico. The ministry said pregnant women, children and the elderly were among those who had joined the program and were now being attended at shelters. □

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## South Carolina mass shooting: Slain deputy mourned

By The Associated Press

**FLORENCE, S.C. (AP)** — A South Carolina sheriff's deputy who died from wounds suffered in a mass shooting earlier this month was remembered Sunday at her funeral as a dedicated peace officer who always had a smile. The funeral for Florence County Sheriff's Investigator Farrah Turner, 36, drew relatives and colleagues together along with law enforcement representatives from around the country. Turner was part of a team that investigated sex crimes against children, a job her boss Sheriff Kenney Boone called one of the hardest on the force.

"She dedicated her life to serving the victims of the worst crimes imaginable," Boone said when he announced her death earlier. Before joining the sex crime unit, Turner was a police officer serving in schools in a local district. Officials said she even volunteered her time for security when a high school couldn't af-

**Katie Godwin, mother of fallen Florence County Sheriff's Investigator Farrah Turner, is escorted by an official before the funeral for her daughter, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, at the Florence Center in Florence, S.C. Turner died from injuries she sustained in the line of duty on Wednesday, Oct. 3.**  
Associated Press.

ford to pay her to work at its prom. Turner began her career with the Florence County Sheriff's Office in 2006, and was named investigator of the year in 2016, according to her obituary.

She died on Oct. 22 — 19 days after she was shot in what authorities said was a gunman's ambush on her and two other deputies coming to a home in an upscale Florence County subdivision to investigate

possible sexual abuse of a minor.

Frederick Hopkins, 74, then fired more shots at city of Florence police officers trying to rescue Turner and the wounded deputies, according to authorities. Flor-

ence Police Sgt. Terrence Carraway died that day and several other officers were wounded.

Rescuers had to use an armored vehicle to move the wounded officers to safety because Hopkins kept firing from his home at the end of a cul-de-sac, which allowed him an unobstructed view for several blocks, according to officials. He also had two children inside the house.

Hopkins is charged with two counts of murder and five counts of attempted murder.

The man Turner and her colleagues were going to question, Hopkins' 28-year-old son Seth Hopkins, has been charged with criminal sexual conduct with a minor against two different girls.

An arrest warrant said one of the girls was younger than 11 when the abuse happened nearly 10 years ago. The other girl, who was between 11 and 14, was abused in the past year, a warrant said. □

**President Donald Trump holds up part of a child's halloween costume as he and first lady Melania Trump give candy to children during a Halloween trick-or-treat event at the White House, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018, in Washington.**  
Associated Press.

## President Trump marks Halloween at the White House

By Associated Press

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — President Donald Trump and First Lady Melania Trump are marking Halloween at the White House by handing out candy to kids at a festive event on the South Lawn.

The couple appeared Sunday at the Halloween event, passing out White House Hershey bars and Twizzlers to children dressed as superheros, astronauts and princesses. The South Portico was decorated with pumpkins, hay bales and corn-

stalks, as a military band played spooky music.

Trump and the first lady were not dressed up, but smiled, chatted and posed for photos with the kids as they distributed treats from wicker baskets.

The White House said the event was attended by military families and local children.

Trump made no remarks at the event, which came a day after a massacre at a Pittsburgh synagogue. □



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In this Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018 file photo, lottery forms for Louisiana Mega Millions, Powerball and other lottery games fill the drawer at The World Bar and Grill, in Delta, La., a few miles from the Mississippi-Louisiana state line.

Associated Press.

By JULIE WALKER, Associated Press


**NEW YORK (AP)** — The co-owner of a Manhattan deli where someone purchased one of two Powerball tickets that hit the \$688 million jackpot said he likely sold the winning ticket, but he has no idea who won. Jose Espinosa and his father own the West Harlem Deli, which lottery officials say sold a ticket that matched all six numbers in Saturday night's drawing for the fourth-largest lottery prize in U.S. history. The ticket holder will split the winnings with whoever purchased the other winning ticket from a convenience store in a small Iowa town. While helping a steady stream of customers Sunday, the 41-year-old Espinosa joked that he knows he sold the lucky ticket because always working: "I'm always here. I live here." But he doesn't know who bought it. "It wasn't me," said customer Jose Humphreys, a 45-year-old pastor at a nearby church. "But hey, if somebody hit the lottery and they wanted to donate to our church, we

would in no way refuse it." The other winning ticket was sold at Casey's convenience store in Redfield, Iowa, a rural community of about 800 people roughly 35 miles (56 kilometers) west of Des Moines. A clerk who answered the phone at the store Sunday declined comment and referred questions to lottery officials. There was no immediate word on who purchased that ticket, either. But both ticket holders beat miserable odds: The chance of winning the Powerball jackpot is 1 in 292.2 million. Lottery officials said the ticket sold in Iowa marks the largest lottery prize ever won in the state. "Even we are awestruck," Iowa Lottery CEO Terry Rich said Sunday. "This goes to show what we've said many times: You never know when the next big winner will hit." Rich said anyone who played Powerball in the past few days should double-check their tickets. The winning numbers were 8, 12, 13, 19 and 27, and Powerball 4. Jackpot winners can't re-

main anonymous in Iowa or New York, and lottery officials encourage winners — who have a year to come forward — to first consult a financial adviser. The drawing came four days after someone won a \$1.54 billion Mega Millions jackpot, which marked the nation's second-largest lottery prize ever. That ticket was sold in South Carolina, where lottery winners can remain anonymous.

Saturday's Powerball jackpot was originally estimated at \$750 million but worked out to \$687.8 million by the time of the drawing. That's the annuity total, which would be paid out over 29 years. The cash value, or lump sum, is \$396.2 million before taxes. The exact jackpot is determined by sales figures where tickets are sold. Officials note that the reason jackpots grow so dramati-

cally when prizes get enormous is because people who don't normally play decide to buy a few tickets. That's great for lottery sales but makes it more difficult for officials to estimate how many irregular players will participate, adding further complications to the jackpot estimate. Powerball is played in 44 states, Washington, D.C., the U.S. Virgin Islands and Puerto Rico. □



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## Treasury chief says UK faces new strategy in no-deal Brexit

By **DANICA KIRKA**  
**Associated Press**

**LONDON (AP)** — Britain's Treasury chief warned Sunday that plans to end eight years of austerity could be sidetracked by a "no-deal" Brexit as he prepared to release his latest spending plan to the House of Commons.

On the eve of his budget speech Monday, Philip Hammond pledged that the end was in sight for the budget cuts implemented by a series of Conservative-led governments after the global financial crisis, reiterating a commitment made by Prime Minister Theresa May earlier this month. But Hammond cautioned that the government's plans could be thrown off track if Britain fails to secure a deal that protects trade with the



**In this Wednesday, March 21, 2018 file photo, Britain's Chancellor Philip Hammond leaves 11 Downing Street to attend the weekly session of Prime Ministers Questions in Parliament in London.**

**Associated Press**

European Union.

"If we were to find ourselves in that situation, then we would need to take a

different approach to the future of Britain's economy," he told Sky News. "We would need to look at a dif-

ferent strategy and, frankly, we'd need to have a new budget that set out a different strategy for the future." Government workers and the public are agitating for the government to end years of austerity that have slashed funding for everything from defense and law enforcement to schools and transportation as May and her predecessor sought to close the budget deficit. Teachers recently marched through central London to call for increased funding, as police warn that they don't have the resources to combat rising crime and the military shrinks. Amid the demands for money, the government is pushing ahead with plans to roll out a new comprehensive welfare program that crit-

ics say will leave the most vulnerable worse off.

Hammond may get some help in meeting the demands from an unexpected increase in tax revenue. The independent Office of Budget Responsibility on Monday will slash its forecast for government borrowing, reducing the deficit by about 13 billion pounds (\$16.9 billion) during the current fiscal year, the Financial Times reported last week.

The revision is likely to help Hammond deliver on a government pledge to increase funding for the National Health Service by 20 billion pounds a year by 2023 without raising taxes. Ahead of the budget, the government has announced a 1.5-billion-pound package to help small retailers and a 30-billion-pound investment in the transport network.

But Hammond said further details on which programs would get more money would have to wait until next year — after Brexit talks are completed. If the negotiations collapse, a no-deal scenario would represent a "very big transition" in the way the economy operates.

"If our businesses are no longer able to trade with European Union neighbors, if their supply chains are cut off, they will have to find different markets and different ways of doing business," he told the BBC. "The economy will change. It will have to restructure itself over a period of time and that will be a fairly major transition." □

## Greek, Italian presidents attend WWII commemoration parade

By **COSTAS KANTOURIS**  
**DEMETRIS NELLAS**

**Associated Press**

**THESSALONIKI, Greece (AP)**

— Italian President Sergio Mattarella on Sunday attended Greece's annual military parade commemorating Greece's entry into World War II — against Italy. Mattarella appeared at the parade in Thessaloniki, northern Greece, at the invitation of Greek President Prokopis Pavlopoulos, who later hailed his counterpart's presence.

"We are leaving behind what divided us. We are determined to defend Europe from ... the forces of populism and racism, bordering on Nazism, that

want to destroy Europe," Pavlopoulos said. "(We are) determined never to let the revival of the nightmares that led to World War II happen again."

Greek police on Sunday kept at bay a small crowd of protesters who wanted to march and protest the name change deal signed by Greece and Macedonia in July resolving a long-standing dispute over Macedonia's name.

Some reservist units taking part in the parade shouted "Macedonia is Greek!" while marching past the VIP stand. Defense Minister Panos Kammenos, the leader of a small right-wing populist party allied with



**Evzones of Greek presidential guard parade through the streets of the northern port city of Thessaloniki, Greece during a military parade, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.**

**Associated Press**

the left-wing Syriza party in government, has opposed the Macedonia deal. While he was making a state-

ment about the parade after Pavlopoulos, someone shouted "Resign! Save (Greek) Macedonia!" □



## German governing parties punished in state election

By GEIR MOULSON

Associated Press

**BERLIN (AP)** — Germany's governing parties lost significant support in a state election Sunday that was marked by discontent with infighting in Chancellor Angela Merkel's national government and prompted calls for her administration to get its act together quickly. Projections showed Merkel's conservatives heading for an extremely lackluster win in the vote for the central Hesse region's state legislature. Her center-left governing partners were on course for a dismal result, running neck-and-neck with the Greens for second place.

Merkel's conservative Christian Democratic Union was defending its 19-year hold on Hesse, previously a stronghold of the center-left Social Democrats, the chancellor's coalition partners in Berlin.

There was widespread pre-election speculation that a disastrous result for either or both parties could further destabilize the national government, prompting calls for the Social Democrats to walk out and possibly endangering Merkel's own position. But government leaders appeared keen Sunday to keep the show on the road.

Andrea Nahles, the Social Democrats' leader, said that "the state of the government is unacceptable." She said her party would insist on Merkel's governing coalition agreeing on "a clear, binding timetable" for implementing projects, and that how that is implemented ahead of an already-agreed midterm review next fall will show "whether we are still in the right place in this government." The CDU's general secretary, Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer, said the coalition needs to identify "three concrete projects for the coming months that we implement." She didn't specify what they might be.

Hesse's conservative governor, Volker Bouffier, told supporters that "the message this evening to the



**Hesse Prime Minister and Christian Democratic top candidate Volker Bouffier arrives at a party's election party after first results of the Hesse state election announced in Wiesbaden, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.**

parties in the government in Berlin is clear: people want less argument, more objectivity, more solutions." Projections for ARD and ZDF public television, based on exit polls and partial counting, gave the CDU 27-28 percent support and the center-left Social Democrats nearly 20 percent. When Hesse last elected its state legislature in 2013 — on the same day that Merkel was triumphantly elected to a third term as chancellor — they won 38.3 and 30.7 percent, respectively. That would be the worst result in the region for the Social Democrats since World War II. There were gains for the Greens, who were roughly level with Social Democrats at nearly 20 percent — compared with 11.1 percent five years ago. And the far-right Alternative for Germany was on course to enter the last of Germany's 16 state parliaments with more than 12 percent.

The pro-business Free Democrats were seen winning above 7 percent and the Left Party around 6.5 percent. Voters have appeared generally satisfied with Bouffier's outgoing state government. It was the first coalition between the CDU and the traditionally left-leaning Greens to last a full parliamentary term, and an unexpectedly harmonious alliance.

But only the Greens, who are in opposition nationally, benefited at the polls. The projections left uncertain whether Bouffier's out-

going coalition would keep its parliamentary majority, and exactly what other combinations might be possible. The election campaign in prosperous Hesse,

which includes Germany's financial center of Frankfurt, has been largely overshadowed by the woes of a federal coalition in office only since March. The state is home to 6.2 million of Germany's 82 million people. Two weeks ago, two of the parties in Merkel's federal "grand coalition" of what have traditionally been Germany's strongest political forces — the Christian Social Union, the Bavaria-only sister to Merkel's CDU, and the Social Democrats — were battered in a state election in neighboring Bavaria. The Social Democrats only reluctantly entered Merkel's fourth-term national government in March, and many are dismayed by what has happened since. □

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## After Gaza strikes, Israel threatens Iranian forces in Syria

By **FARES AKRAM**  
**JOSEF FEDERMAN**  
 Associated Press

**GAZA CITY, Gaza Strip (AP)** — Palestinian militants ceased rocket attacks from Gaza into Israel and relative calm prevailed Saturday afternoon after a night-long exchange of fire that prompted Israeli threats against Iranian forces in Syria.

The Islamic Jihad group, a militant faction operating in the Hamas-ruled Gaza but that has close ties to Iran and Syria, said they agreed to Egyptian mediation efforts and halted the rocket fire, the heaviest to emanate from Gaza in months.

"The Egyptian efforts led to understandings to restore calm to Gaza Strip. We appreciate the Egyptian endeavor and hope for all kinds of (Israeli) aggression to stop," said Khaled al-Batsh, an Islamic Jihad official.

Hamas, the larger militant group that controls Gaza, accused Israel of resorting to military escalation "to evade obligations" of a comprehensive ceasefire that Hamas has long sought. Hamas wants the deal to end a crippling Israeli-Egyptian blockade on Gaza.

There has been no immediate comment from Israel on truce. It has said its fighter jets struck dozens of targets across Gaza and accused Iranian forces in Damascus of orchestrating the barages.

The threats toward Iranian forces in Syria added a new dimension to what was already the heaviest fighting between Israel and Gaza

militants in several weeks. Opening a new front in Syria could put Israel in open confrontation with heav-

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In Gaza, most of the airstrikes hit open spaces used by militants for training and possibly weapons storage. But in northern Gaza, the Health Ministry said that the main hospital in the area was damaged after a nearby Hamas training camp was hit. Footage showed cables and wires dropping from collapsed ceilings in the wards.

In Gaza City, an airstrike hit an abandoned, unfinished building, flattening the three-story structure. That building appeared to be the one identified by Israel as a security headquarters. Although Islamic Jihad often acts independently of Hamas, Israel holds Hamas, which has ruled Gaza since 2007, responsible for all fire emanating from the territory. □



**Smoke rises from an explosion caused by an Israeli airstrike in Gaza City, Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018.**  
 Associated Press

ily armed Iranian and Hezbollah forces, along with recently deployed Russian anti-aircraft systems.

Lt. Col. Jonathan Conricus, an Israeli military spokesman, said that 34 rockets had been fired at Israel throughout the night. Israel's Iron Dome rocket-defense system intercepted 13 rockets, two landed in Gaza and the remainder fell in open spaces in southern Israel, he said. In response, Israel hit over 80 targets in Gaza.

Conricus said Islamic Jihad had fired the rockets under instructions from Iran's Al Quds Force based in Syria and said that Israel was considering taking action against the Iranians in response.

"We have seen and established a clear link between Gaza and Damascus," he

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transfer sophisticated S-300 anti-aircraft missiles to Syria. Russia deployed the missiles after a Russian warplane was shot down over Syrian skies last month. Russia has blamed Israel for the mishap, saying that Syria accidentally shot down the plane while reacting to an Israeli air raid.

Israel and Russia have maintained a hotline to prevent their air forces from coming into contact with one another over Syrian skies. Israeli media have reported that Russia has become less cooperative since the downing of the plane.

The fighting in Gaza followed a bloody day of border protests Friday in which Israeli forces shot and killed four Palestinians protesting along the perimeter fence dividing Hamas-ruled Gaza





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# Sri Lanka president: PM was sacked over assassination plot

By BHARATHA MALLA-WARACHI

Associated Press

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka (AP)

— Sri Lanka's president said Sunday that the main reason he decided to sack his prime minister was the alleged involvement of a Cabinet minister in a plot to assassinate him.

In a televised address to the nation, President Maithripala Sirisena said a person questioned by investigators had revealed the name of a minister in an alleged plot to assassinate him and a former defense secretary. He said the only choice for him under the circumstances was to dismiss Ranil Wickremesinghe and invite his former nemesis and ex-strongman Mahinda Rajapaksa to take over as prime minister and form a new government.

"This information (received by investigators) contains a number of details hitherto hidden to the people," Sirisena said. "The informant has made a statement re-



Supporters of sacked Sri Lankan Prime Minister Ranil Wickremesinghe gather outside his official residence as a police commando stands guard in Colombo, Sri Lanka, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Associated Press

garding a Cabinet minister involved in the conspiracy to assassinate me."

He did not reveal the name of the minister.

Even though Sirisena's supporters had been talking about an alleged plot to assassinate him for weeks,

Sunday was the first time Sirisena had commented publicly on it. A police informant named Namal Kumara who first came out with the alleged assassination plot told reporters Sunday that Wickremesinghe and his Cabinet colleague

former army commander Sarath Fonseka were behind the assassination plot. There was no immediate comment from Wickremesinghe or Fonseka on the allegation.

Meanwhile, one person died and two others were

wounded on Sunday in a shooting at the Petroleum Ministry, in the first violent incident since the political turmoil began on Friday with the sacking of Wickremesinghe.

Pushpa Soyza, a spokeswoman at Colombo National Hospital, said three people were admitted to the hospital following the shooting, and one of them had died.

Arjuna Ranatunga, who was petroleum minister under Wickremesinghe, said one of his security guards opened fire when Rajapaksa supporters mobbed him and protested against him entering the ministry premises.

Wickremesinghe has called Sirisena's move to sack him unconstitutional and said he can prove his majority support in Parliament. On Saturday, Sirisena suspended Parliament in an apparent move to give Rajapaksa time to try to muster enough support to survive any no-confidence vote. □

# Key Thai political party eyes elections with new leaders

By KAWEEWIT KAEWJINDA

Associated Press

BANGKOK (AP)

— The main political party that will oppose Thailand's ruling military government voted in new leadership on Sunday as it prepares for elections scheduled for early next year. It was the first time the Pheu Thai party had officially convened with all its members since Thailand's military overthrew a Pheu Thai-led government from office in a 2014 coup and introduced a ban on political gatherings of over five people. The ban was partially lifted last month to allow political parties to conduct basic functions.



Members of Thailand's Pheu Thai party pose on stage with clenched fists during a gathering in Bangkok, Thailand Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Associated Press

Pheu Thai named 86-year-old senior party member Viroj Pao-in as its official

leader, while Phumtham Vechayaychai keeps his role as secretary-general.

The meeting where the leadership votes were cast was attended by several

hundred party members, all wearing dark suits.

"We are now getting ready for the elections," Viroj told reporters. Pheu Thai, under different name variations, has won every election since it was founded in 1998 by telecoms tycoon Thaksin Shinawatra. Its administrations have since been overthrown twice by military coups, first in 2006, when Thaksin was ousted as prime minister, and most recently in May 2014, when the current military government ousted his sister Yingluck Shinawatra from office after sometimes violent political demonstrations on Bangkok's streets. □



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## Brazilians weigh change versus risk to democracy in election

By SARAH DILORENZO  
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Associated Press

**SAO PAULO (AP)** — Brazilians on Sunday were weighing their hunger for radical change against fears that the presidential front-runner could threaten democracy as they cast ballots in the culmination of a bitter campaign that split many families and was frequently marred by violence.

Far-right congressman Jair Bolsonaro has won over many voters by painting a picture of a Brazil at war — with criminals, corrupt politicians and leftist ideas that he says could turn the country into Venezuela — and promises to change the tide with force and clean governance.

Recent polls showed Bolsonaro with an 8 to 10 point lead over his rival, leftist candidate Fernando Haddad of the Workers' Party. Several key endorsements late Saturday gave Haddad's camp hope that they could still pull out a victory.

"I am confident we can win," said Haddad after voting. "There are many democratic voices that could have been silent and have spoken in our favor." On Saturday, a popular former supreme court justice, Joaquim Barbosa, tweeted support for Haddad, saying Bolsonaro's candidacy scared him. Likewise, former Attorney General Rodrigo Janot, one of the biggest crusaders against corruption in Haddad's Workers' Party in recent years, endorsed



Jair Bolsonaro, presidential candidate with the Social Liberal Party, waves after voting in the presidential runoff election in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Haddad for similar reasons. One of the most important endorsements, particularly for young people, came from Youtuber Felipe Neto, whose channel has nearly 27 million followers.

Neto said he was troubled by Bolsonaro's comments a week ago that "red" leftists would be run out of Brazil.

"In 16 years of the (Workers' Party), I have been robbed, but never threatened," Neto said by Twitter. Bolsonaro, a former army captain with a lackluster record in Congress over 27 years, rose in prominence amid disgust with Brazil's political system after a massive corruption scandal and a prolonged recession. In particular, many Brazilians are furious with the Workers' Party for its role in the graft scheme, known as "Carwash" and Haddad has struggled to build

momentum with his promises of a return to the boom times by investing in health and education and reducing poverty.

"If you have three crises happening at the same time — economic, political and moral, ethical in a way — I think you create a scenario which is perfect for outsiders and authoritarian, fringe candidates," said Oliver Stuenkel, an associate professor of international relations at the Fundacao Getulio Vargas university in Sao Paulo. "It's not unlikely that we'll see an erosion of Brazil's democracy. We're already seeing it now."

Many in Brazil and beyond have expressed concerns about a rollback of civil rights and a weakening of institutions in what remains a young democracy, especially since Bolsonaro has waxed nostalgic for Brazil's

1964-1985 military dictatorship and said he would name military men to his Cabinet.

More than a dozen U.S. Democratic congressmen have written a letter urging Secretary of State Mike Pompeo to make clear that American aid to and cooperation with Brazil "is contingent on the upholding of basic human rights and democratic values by its leaders."

The past few years in Brazil have been exceptionally turbulent. In 2016, then-President Dilma Rousseff of the Workers' Party was impeached and removed from office on charges that many on the left felt were politically motivated. The economy suffered a two-years-long recession and is only beginning to emerge, with growth stagnant and unemployment high. And

scores of politicians and executives have been jailed in the Carwash corruption investigation that uncovered a multi-billion-dollar scheme to trade public contracts and official favors for bribes and kickbacks. That instability unleashed extreme anger with the political class but also revealed deep divisions in Brazilian society, and this campaign was the most polarized in decades. There were numerous reports of politically motivated violence, especially directed at gay people, whom Bolsonaro has disparaged. Bolsonaro himself was stabbed and almost died at a campaign event in early September.

"I'm not crazy about Bolsonaro. But he is our way to keep the Workers' Party out of office," said Rafaela Rosa, a 32-year-old teacher, after voting Sunday in Sao Paulo. "We have had enough corruption and now we need to clean up." Many observers predicted that a newcomer would emerge to harness that anti-establishment anger. Instead, support coalesced around Bolsonaro, who both is and isn't an outsider: He has served for nearly three decades in Congress, but he has often been at the margins of that institution and he painted himself as just the strong man Brazil needed to dismantle a failing system. Bolstering his rebel image is his reputation for offensive statements and sometimes extreme views, including insulting women, gays and blacks. □



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Wendy Op De Weegh, Tia Hurkmans and Gabriella Gonzalez are the three board members of Foundation Aruba, all artisans themselves. Wendy: "I started making my own beads of glass and that triggered Tia and Gaby to join. We were friends and we noticed that we needed a platform to present our art. We were occasionally organizing events at home, but we were looking for more public." That is how the three came to the idea to find more local artisans and encountered a foundation that was in a kind of non-active state. They decided to take over and that is how it all started. "2013 our first organized event happened at Fort Zoutman in Oranjestad with Christmas time. It was a big success and from that time on it really took off. More and more artisans were engaged and the government also initiated the national seal for artisan products at that time and provided us with a list of artisans that were registered."

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**ORANJESTAD —** Ateliers '89 gladly presents its last 2 workshops for 2018. 'Hero's in Fashion' by Agatha Mickiewicz and 'Making Musical Instruments' by Krisztina Czika. Both workshops will take place from Monday November 12<sup>th</sup> till Friday December 7<sup>th</sup> of 2018

### 'Hero's in Fashion' by Polish Master Designer Agata Mickiewicz

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In addition to using the sewing machine, we look for other ways to assemble the garment. In these four weeks we work together on one large collection. The workshop will



be concluded with a professional show. If you have your own sewing machine or you can borrow one, take it to the studio. For the workshop, everyone is welcome, with or without experience. Everyone will be assisted and assessed at his own level. However, full commitment and involvement is expected.

Designer Agata Mickiewicz was born in Poland but studied and worked in many other places in the world. She studied fashion in Wroclaw (Poland), the Academy of Fine Arts Antwerp (Belgium) and the Gerrit Rietveld Academy in Amsterdam. She worked for, among others, the design studios of Iris van Herpen, Victor and Rolf, Rick Owens and Gosia Baczyńska. In Poland she worked as a costume designer on various television series and taught at the Foundation Atelier in Warsaw. She recently lived in Reykjavik (Iceland) and will soon be based in Berlin (Germany).

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Krisztina Czika was born in Hungary but studied design at the Gerrit Rietveld Academy in Amsterdam. She now lives in the Netherlands for 5 years. There she made, among other things, a large musical instrument from recycled paper for the Muziek Gebouw on the IJ in Amsterdam. She has done several residencies including recently in Colombia. Lately an exhibition of her paper project was shown at gallery Poulouff in Naarden (NL).

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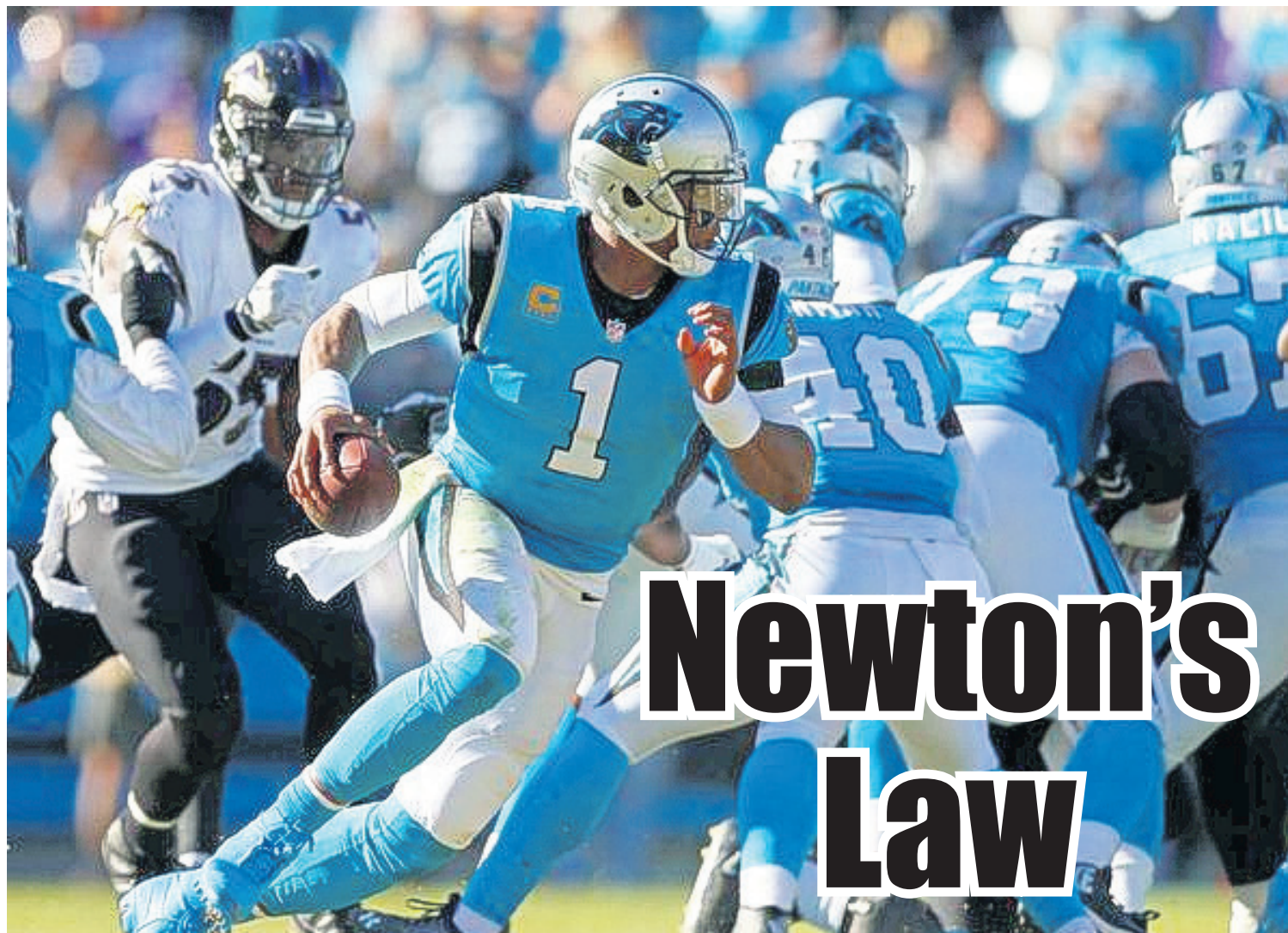
Barcelona forward Luis Suarez, left, and Real defender Sergio Ramos fight for the ball during the Spanish La Liga soccer match between FC Barcelona and Real Madrid at the Camp Nou stadium in Barcelona, Spain, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.  
Associated Press

## Barcelona beats Madrid 5-1, Lopetegui future in jeopardy

By **JOSEPH WILSON**  
Associated Press

**BARCELONA, Spain (AP)** — Luis Suarez scored a hat trick to lead Barcelona to a 5-1 rout of Real Madrid in the Spanish league on Sunday, putting the future of Madrid coach Julen Lopetegui in serious jeopardy. With the injured Lionel Messi watching from the Camp Nou stands, Suarez doubled Barcelona's lead from the penalty spot in the 30th minute after Philippe Coutinho had opened the scoring for the hosts. Marcelo pulled one back for Madrid early in the second half, but Suarez scored twice to ensure the win — and the league lead for Barcelona — before substitute Arturo Vidal completed the demolition. "We are very proud to have the best player in the world (Messi) on our team," Suarez said, "(but) we showed that we are a great team and that we have a great coach."

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Carolina Panthers' Cam Newton (1) scrambles against the Baltimore Ravens in the second half of an NFL football game in Charlotte, N.C., Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.  
Associated Press

## Newton's Law

## Newton scores 3 TDs, Panthers defeat Ravens 36-21

By **STEVE REED**,  
AP Sports Writer

**CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP)** — Cam Newton and the Carolina Panthers didn't wait until the fourth quarter to turn it up a notch on offense. The result was an impressive win against the league's top-ranked defense. Newton completed 21 of 29 passes for 219 yards and two touchdowns and ran for 52 yards and another score as the Panthers soundly defeated the Baltimore Ravens 36-21 on Sunday for their ninth straight win at home. Christian McCaffrey had two touchdowns and the Panthers continued to get electrifying performances from different players. This time, it was rookie wide receiver D.J. Moore, who turned in his best game as a pro with 129 yards from

scrimmage. "We present a lot of issues for defenses and that is what this offense was kind of built for," Newton said. "We have dynamic players all around the field." Unlike last Sunday when they needed three fourth quarter touchdowns to erase a 17-0 deficit and beat the defending Super Bowl champion Eagles 21-17, the Panthers took it to the Ravens early and often. After spotting the Ravens a 7-0 lead on the game's first possession, the Panthers (5-2) scored on four straight drives in the final 16 minutes of the first half to break the game open and take a 24-7 halftime lead. Newton threw an 11-yard TD pass to Greg Olsen, McCaffrey ran for a 11-yard score and leaped into the air to corral a 6-yard TD pass that ricocheted off

the hands of safety Eric Weddle and into his arms in the end zone. And when Baltimore (4-4) climbed to within 13 late in the third quarter, Newton was there to calmly drive the Panthers 85 yards in nine plays, racing in untouched from 12 yards out on a naked bootleg to put the game away early. The Panthers rolled up 386 yards against a Ravens defense that had come in allowing a league-low 280.6 yards and 14.4 points per game. Baltimore seemed a step behind all day long, unable to figure out the Panthers multiple misdirection plays. "They present a lot of misdirection and formations, different plays and was tough to get in a rhythm with them and Cam played an outstanding game," Ravens safety Eric Weddle said.

When asked why Carolina's misdirection offense was so effective, Ravens cornerback Jimmy Smith held up one hand and said, "Look at my hand. Now if I smack you with this one (my other hand), you won't see it coming. That's how it works." **PANTHERS DEFENSE** Carolina showed it can still play a little 'D' as well, forcing three turnovers. The momentum-turning play came in the first quarter when defensive tackle Kyle Love crashed through the line and delivered a vicious hit on Ravens running back Alex Collins, jarring the ball loose. Defensive tackle Vernon Butler came up with the loose ball at the Ravens 12 after Luke Kuechly unsuccessfully tried to scoop and score.

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## Barcelona beats Madrid 5-1

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It was Barcelona's biggest victory against Madrid since a 4-0 win at Madrid in 2015 and 5-0 at home in 2010.

The win lifted Barcelona back to the top of the Spanish league with 21 points, while Madrid was left languishing in ninth place with 14 points.

Madrid has now gone five rounds without a win, including four losses, in its first season under Lopetegui.

Despite having as many defeats as wins this season, Lopetegui said that he still believed he could turn Madrid's season around.

"We all know how football works and the one who is ultimately responsible is the coach, but there is more to it and we all win and lose together," Lopetegui said. "I think that it is early in the season and even though today is a sad day Madrid can have a good year. I still have strength to lead the group."

The match was the first "clasico" since 2007 to be played without both Messi and former Madrid forward Cristiano Ronaldo.

Barcelona was playing its second game since Messi broke his right arm last weekend in a win over Sevilla.

But other than the first 30 minutes of the second half, Barcelona dominated its fierce rival — and European champion — even without its best player.

Barcelona coach Ernesto Valverde stuck with the same starting 11 that beat Inter Milan 2-0 in the Champions League midweek, with Rafinha taking Messi's place.

Lopetegui's only hole to fill in his first-choice 11 was to play Nacho Fernandez at right back in place of the injured Dani Carvajal.

Jordi Alba was a pest to Madrid from the start. A long ball from Ivan Rakitic into Fernandez's area of coverage left Alba alone after fine control to romp into the area and pick out Coutinho arriving in a second wave. The Brazil

midfielder did his part by providing a cool finish with his left foot to beat goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois in the 11th.

While Madrid could only muster timid long shots by Gareth Bale and Marcelo, Barcelona went close with a strike by Arthur that Courtois did well to palm away. Barcelona earned a second goal with help from a video replay after Raphael Varane barged into Suarez at the edge of the six-yard box.

The referee awarded the spot kick after consulting the video monitor on the sideline, allowing Suarez to step up and perfectly execute the strike by driving a low shot between the post and the outstretched Courtois.

Madrid was fortunate to go into halftime not behind by another goal after Barcelona squandered two promising opportunities on counterattacks only to stumble on the decisive pass.

The match briefly swung the visitors' way after the restart.

Lopetegui substituted Varane with Lucas Vazquez at halftime, and the forward played a role in Marcelo's goal by combining with Isco before his pass was deflected for Marcelo to finish off in the 51st.

Madrid pressed for the equalizer that Luka Modric almost claimed when he was unmarked to hit the post.

Valverde sent on defender Nelson Semedo and shifted Sergi Roberto into attack.

Suarez soon volleyed a headed pass from Roberto off the upright. He then linked up again with Roberto twice more to turn what was appearing to be an evenly fought contest into an easy win.

The Uruguay striker used a powerful turn of his neck to fire a header home from Roberto's pass in the 75th. He then completed his treble in the 83rd by chipping Courtois after Roberto stole the ball from Sergio Ramos. Vidal headed in a fifth goal with Madrid in disarray. □



Barcelona forward Luis Suarez celebrates after scoring his side's third goal during the Spanish La Liga soccer match between FC Barcelona and Real Madrid at the Camp Nou stadium in Barcelona, Spain, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

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## Carolina Panthers turns it up a notch on offense

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Three plays later, Newton found Olsen on a slant route giving Carolina a 14-7 lead it would never relinquish.

"Sometimes you're unblocked and you have to make a play," Love said.

### FLACCO: GOT BUTTS KICKED

Baltimore's Joe Flacco finished 22 of 39 for 192 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions, and said the Panthers were more physical and simply played better.

"We got our butts kicked today," Flacco said.

The loss was the second straight for the Ravens.

"There is obviously a bigger threat to let this stuff affect you mentally and how we are jelling together, so we



Carolina Panthers' Christian McCaffrey (22) runs past Baltimore Ravens' Tony Jefferson (23) for a touchdown in the first half of an NFL football game in Charlotte, N.C., Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

Associated Press

have to combat that by being ourselves and being as tough as we can," Flacco said.

### GETTING HIS KICKS

Panthers kicker Graham Gano extended his streak to 39 consecutive field goals made at home — and 28 straight overall — after connecting from 54, 44 and 30 yards.

### GAMBLING HARBAUGH

How many coaches have the guts to make this call? Leading 7-0 in the first quarter at Carolina, Ravens coach John Harbaugh went for a fake punt from his own 10-yard line on a fourth-and-1 — and Baltimore appeared to pick it up easily with Anthony Levine plowing ahead for an 8-yard gain.

However, the Ravens were called for an illegal shift on the play, wiping out the first down, and they wound up punting.

Harbaugh also went for a first down on fourth-and-1 from his own 34 and got it on a Flacco sneak.

### STEALING THREE

The Panthers used their own brand of trickery to steal three points just before halftime.

Facing a fourth-and-7 at the Baltimore 44, coach

Ron Rivera sent in backup QB Taylor Heinicke to throw an apparent Hail Mary with Newton's shoulder still sore from last week's game.

But after the Ravens defense backed off, Heinicke saw Olsen alone lined up to the left side and he hauled in a 13-yard pass and ducked out of bounds with 2 seconds left.

Gano came on to boot a 54-yard field goal to give Carolina momentum heading into the second half.

### NATIONAL ANTHEM

Panthers safety Eric Reid continued to protest against social and racial injustice by kneeling before the national anthem.

Also, several fans took a knee during the national anthem outside of the stadium in support of Reid's cause.

### INJURIES

Ravens starting left tackle Ronnie Stanley was helped off the field in the third quarter with a knee injury, but did return.

The Panthers reported no injuries.

### UP NEXT

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Panthers: Host Tampa Bay next Sunday. □





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## Cavaliers fire coach Tyronn Lue after 0-6 start

By TOM WITHERS  
AP Sports Writer

Tyronn Lue didn't make it through the season's first month without LeBron James. The Cleveland Cavaliers fired their coach on Sunday and named assistant Larry Drew interim head coach. The Cavaliers are off to a 0-6 start without James, who left Cleveland this summer for the second time in his career and signed with the Los Angeles Lakers as a free agent.

Lue guided the Cavaliers to an NBA title in 2016 — Cleveland's first pro sports championship since 1964 — and helped the team to four straight Finals.

"We thank him for the many ways he has contributed to our success, wish him the best and he will always be remembered for leading a very special Cavs team back against the odds to win the title in 2016," gen-

eral manager Koby Altman said in a statement. "This is a different team equation, though, and one that we felt needed a different voice and approach that required this change."

Assistant coach Damon Jones also was fired. A former Cavaliers player, Jones had been promoted during the offseason.

Lue issued a statement in which he thanked team owner Dan Gilbert, former general manager David Griffin and Altman.

"My time here in Cleveland was truly special," Lue added. "I am very grateful for the dedication, sacrifice and support of all the players on our team, the tremendous coaches I've worked with and of course, our incredible fans."

Players appeared to be caught off-guard by Lue's dismissal. All-Star Kevin Love, who has missed the

past two games with a sore left foot, posted a message to Lue on Instagram.

"You helped me see the big picture," Love wrote. "Life changing experiences and teaching points. Nothing but love and admiration. Know we will work towards something greater together again. THANK YOU."

Love also posted a photo of him and Lue hugging on the court at Oracle Arena after the Cavaliers rallied from a 3-1 deficit and won Game 7 of the 2016 Finals over Golden State.

James also expressed gratitude toward his former coach on Twitter.

"Tyrone thanks for the memories and more importantly our partnership bringing a (championship) to that deserved city/fan base," James said. "U know how to find me." The 41-year-old Lue has three years left on a five-year, \$35 million con-

tract he signed after Cleveland won the title. He went 128-83 in three-plus seasons as coach.

Drew filled in when Lue stepped aside for 10 games last season while dealing with chest pains, insomnia and anxiety. He came to Cleveland as an assistant in 2014 after serving as head coach for the Milwaukee Bucks (2013-2014) and Atlanta Hawks (2010-2013).

The Cavaliers were hoping to remain competitive without James, but they've been overmatched. They dropped their sixth straight game on Saturday night to Indiana and are off to their worst start since losing their first seven games in the 1995-96 season.

Cleveland has trailed by at least 16 points in all six losses and the club has yet to lead in the second half. The Cavs have also been plagued by poor defense



Cleveland Cavaliers head coach Tyronn Lue yells instructions to players in the first half of an NBA basketball game against the Indiana Pacers, Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018, in Cleveland.

Associated Press

and communication issues, and has looked disorganized at times.

The Cavaliers host Atlanta on Tuesday night. Led by rookie Trae Young's 35 points, the Hawks clobbered the Cavs by 22 points in Cleveland's home opener last week.

The Athletic first reported Lue's firing. □

## Federer wins 99th title, beats Copil in Swiss Indoors final

Associated Press

**BASEL, Switzerland (AP)** — Roger Federer won his 99th career ATP Tour title on Sunday, beating qualifier Marius Copil 7-6 (5), 6-4 in the Swiss Indoors final.

A ninth title at Federer's hometown event in Basel, where he was once a ball boy, matched the nine he won at the Halle grass-court event in Germany. He closed the gap on the all-time singles titles list to Jimmy Connors, who leads with 109.

Federer blew kisses to a 12,000 crowd in the renovated St. Jakobshalle, which now gives Basel's local hero a bigger main stage.

"It's been a magical week. It was dream run for me," Federer said in his acceptance speech, before his



Switzerland's Roger Federer reacts during his final match against Romania's Marius Copil at the Swiss Indoors tennis tournament at the St. Jakobshalle in Basel, Switzerland, on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018

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fans' ovation brought tears welling in his eyes.

The top-seeded Swiss rallied from trailing by a service break in each set against the 93rd-ranked Romanian, whose serve was measured at 243 kph (151 mph) in his opening service game.

Federer clinched minutes after saving a break point, taking his first match-point chance when Copil sent a backhand into the net.

The title was the 37-year-old Federer's first in more than four months since winning on grass at Stuttgart in June.

Federer's 151st singles final on the ATP tour shaped as one of his biggest mismatches by ranking. He has never lost a final to an opponent ranked below No. 87. □



# Mother Russian: New mom Mustafina leads Russia at worlds

By WILL GRAVES

AP Sports Writer

DOHA, Qatar (AP) — Aliya

Mustafina understands she didn't have to come back. Nobody would have blamed the Russian star gymnast for calling it a career after the birth of her child Alisa in the spring of 2017.

The demands of pregnancy and motherhood typically don't play nice with the demands of being a world-class gymnast, particularly one as decorated as Mustafina, a seven-time Olympic medalist and 2010 world all-around champion. That's one of the reasons the 24-year-old was intent on doing it anyway.

Her message: You shouldn't have to choose between two loves.

"When you become a mother, your life doesn't end," Mustafina said Sunday after guiding a young Russian team to second place in qualifying at the 2018 world championships. "If there's a thing you can do that gives you pleasure, you do it." Particularly if you can do it as dramatically —



Russia's Aliya Mustafina performs on the floor during qualifying sessions for the Gymnastics World Championships at the Aspire Dome in Doha, Qatar, Sunday, Oct. 28, 2018.

and occasionally spectacularly — as Mustafina.

Anchoring the Russians on uneven bars, floor exercise and balance beam, Mustafina restored a bit of order to qualifying on a day the Canadians rose to a surprising fourth, while Britain, considered an emerging power two years ago

after finishing fifth at the 2016 Olympics, failed to make the eight-team final. "I'm very happy," Mustafina said. "I was missing the emotions, the equipment, the girls, everything."

It showed. Sixteen months removed from bringing Alisa into the world, Mustafina was back in her familiar spot as the foundation around which the Russian team is built. She's helping 18-year-old Angelina Melnikova, 16-year-olds Irina Alekseeva and Angelina Simakova, and 21-year-old Lilia Akhaimova find their footing on the world stage. "She'll kind of lead everybody, tell everybody, 'Calm down, it's OK,'" said Alekseeva, who earned a spot in the all-around final after being 12th in qualifying. "Sometimes we'll be doing routines and she'll just be talking about it. She knows we're new, but she's done it so many times."

Not too many, however, that the novelty has worn off. If anything, becoming a parent helped Mustafina realize how deeply she and a sport she's helped define have become so intertwined.

"It's my passion and it makes me feel better all the time," Mustafina said. Russia edged ahead of China for second in qualifying, though its team score of 165.497 was nearly nine

points behind the Americans. Such is the dominance the U.S. has over the rest of the world at the moment that the gap between first and second (8.932) was greater than the gap between Russia and 12th-place Italy (8.667). While the Americans, reigning Olympic champions, are heavy favorites to continue a winning streak that dates back to the 2011 world championships, there is a mad scramble behind them.

It's a mix that now includes Canada. A year after Ellie Black finished second in the all-around on home turf in Montreal, the Canadians surged past Japan, Brazil, France and Germany to crack the top four.

"We've had a lot of girls working really hard doing a great job of pushing the limits of Canadian gymnastics," Black said. "So now we're having a bigger pool to choose from and I think that's great for our team." Some teams have taken on a decidedly American flavor in hopes of making inroads on the United States' dominance.

Alekseeva was born in Moscow but moved to the U.S. when she was in elementary school, training in Dallas. She was a rising star as a junior, winning the all-around title at U.S. Classic in 2016, a meet in which 2017 world

champion Morgan Hurd finished fifth and current world team member Riley McCusker came in ninth.

An inability to obtain U.S. citizenship forced Alekseeva to change course. When Russian officials asked her if she wanted to come home, she jumped at the opportunity. On Tuesday, she'll find herself competing as a Russian against several American women she thought would one day be her teammates.

She's not too worried about it getting awkward.

"I've talked to some of the girls like over social media and stuff and they're all nice and supportive, both the Russians and the Americans, so I think we'll be fine," Alekseeva said.

China's national team coach is Liang Chow, who helped 2012 Olympic champion Gabby Douglas and four-time Olympic medalist Shawn Johnson soar to glory. The hiring was a homecoming of sorts for Chow, who competed internationally for China before moving to the U.S. and starting a wildly successful gym in Iowa. Chow's challenge is reviving a program that while still elite has slipped over the last decade. "You know, after 2008, their performances are going down," Chow said. "I think it's good for me to help out a little bit." Valeri Liukin is trying to do the same for Brazil, which offered him a job not long after he stepped down as the U.S. national team coordinator in January, less than 18 months after being hired as Martha Karolyi's replacement.

Liukin, the father of 2008 Olympic champion Nastia Liukin, declined to talk about if he had second thoughts about his decision to step away. On Tuesday night, he'll lead the Brazilians onto the floor against an American powerhouse he helped developed.

"It's very different," Liukin said. "It feels very weird to me, too. It's not easy. But like I said, I love the sport of gymnastics. This is my life. No matter what happens, I will do this." □



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## Jacobs edges Derevyanchenko to win IBF middleweight title

By BRIAN MAHONEY  
AP Sports Writer

**NEW YORK (AP)** — Danny Jacobs needed the big challenge, wanted to fight a guy who even some of boxing's best wouldn't. Now Jacobs knows what else he wants.

"I want Canelo next," he said.

Even a fight with Canelo Alvarez couldn't be much tougher than the one Jacobs had Saturday night. Jacobs won the IBF middleweight title, pulling out a thrilling split decision over Sergiy Derevyanchenko. Jacobs scored a first-round knockdown and that helped him build just enough of a lead to hold on in a tight finish in which both fighters were swinging wildly across the late rounds.

He won 115-112 on Tom Schreck and Steve Weisfeld's cards, while judge Julie Lederman scored it 114-113 for Derevyanchenko. "Hats off to Sergiy. I knew he was a true competitor," Jacobs said. "I knew he was going to be hard so I had to dig deep." The Associated Press scored it 114-113 for Jacobs. Jacobs (35-2, 29 KOs) took the belt that was vacated when Gennady Golovkin chose not to fight Derevyanchenko, his mandatory challenger, this spring while awaiting his rematch with Alvarez. Alvarez won that bout and is moving up to super mid-



**Daniel Jacobs, right, punches Ukraine's Sergiy Derevyanchenko during the ninth round of a IBF middleweight championship match Saturday, Oct. 27, 2018, in New York.**

dleweight for his next one. He's expected to return to 160 pounds afterward and Jacobs, who narrowly lost to Golovkin last year, wants to be the opponent. "The fans want it," Jacobs said. "Now I have the strap, let's do it. I'd rematch Triple G but he's not a champion. I want the champs." Derevyanchenko (12-1), who had more than 400 fights as an amateur but has had trouble finding work as a pro, fell just short in his long-awaited first shot at a title. He wanted it in the spring but Golovkin wouldn't face Derevyanchenko when he searched for another

opponent after Alvarez's failed drug test caused the original date for their rematch to be scrapped. Derevyanchenko showed why even Golovkin wouldn't have wanted him, landing big shots to Jacobs' body in the middle rounds and just missing with some to the head that could have done major damage later. "Sergiy is one of toughest and most skillful I've ever been in with," Jacobs said. "He's been avoided but I wanted to fight him for the strap. I needed that strap to get the bigger fights. It's risk and reward." He did just enough to hold

off the hard-charging Ukrainian in a finish that had fans in the crowd of 4,691 inside the Theater at Madison Square Garden standing and chanting at the end. "It was a very close fight," Derevyanchenko said. "I knew that the knockdown could come back to bite me." Jacobs' win capped what's been a flurry of activity in the 160-pound division over the last seven weeks. Alvarez has two of the major belts after edging Golovkin last month, and Demetrius Andrade won the other last week. Jacobs and Derevyanchenko share a manager, have worked with

the same trainers and have sparred against each other in Brooklyn. Jacobs said it would be bittersweet working against people he'd known for so long.

Their familiarity may have caused a cautious beginning, with neither throwing a punch in the opening half-minute as they sized up each other. Jacobs got aggressive later in the round and scored a knockdown when Derevyanchenko's gloves touched the canvas after Jacobs' overhand right along the ropes.

Derevyanchenko rallied nicely and caught Jacobs with a good left hook in the second, fought well again in the third and both connected well in the fourth. They both landed and missed with wild punches in a back-and-forth sixth, each shaking his head during the round to show he had taken a good punch. But Jacobs had a quickness advantage and was able to move away from some of Derevyanchenko's hardest shots when it appeared he was going to be trapped in a corner, sometimes even switching to a southpaw stance to slip away from trouble.

Still, Derevyanchenko kept coming and started catching Jacobs again in the later rounds.

"It was a great fight. He's a tremendous competitor and I'd like to fight him again soon," Derevyanchenko said. □

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## Yahoo to pay \$50M, other costs for massive security breach

By **MICHAEL LIEDTKE**  
AP Technology Writer  
**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — Yahoo has agreed to pay \$50 million in damages and provide two years of free credit-monitoring services to 200 million people whose email addresses and other personal information were stolen as part of the biggest security breach in history. The restitution hinges on federal court approval of a settlement filed late Monday in a 2-year-old lawsuit seeking to hold Yahoo accountable for digital burglaries that occurred in 2013 and 2014, but weren't disclosed until 2016. It adds to the financial fallout from a security lapse that provided a mortifying end to Yahoo's existence as an independent company and former CEO Marissa Mayer's six-year reign. Yahoo revealed the problem after it had already negotiated a \$4.83 billion deal to sell its digital services to Verizon Communications. It then had to discount that



In this July 19, 2016, file photo, flowers bloom in front of a Yahoo sign at the company's headquarters in Sunnyvale, Calif.

price by \$350 million to reflect its tarnished brand and the specter of other potential costs stemming from the breach. Verizon will now pay for one half of the settlement cost, with the other half paid by

Altaba Inc., a company that was set up to hold Yahoo's investments in Asian companies and other assets after the sale. Altaba already paid a \$35 million fine imposed by the Securities and Exchange Com-

mission for Yahoo's delay in disclosing the breach to investors. About 3 billion Yahoo accounts were hit by hackers that included some linked to Russia by the FBI. The settlement reached in a San

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Jose, California, court covers about 1 billion of those accounts held by an estimated 200 million people in the U.S. and Israel from 2012 through 2016. Claims for a portion of the \$50 million fund can be submitted by any eligible Yahoo accountholder who suffered losses resulting from the security breach. The costs can include such things as identity theft, delayed tax refunds or other problems linked to having had personal information pilfered during the Yahoo break-ins. The fund will compensate Yahoo accountholders at a rate of \$25 per hour for time spent dealing with issues triggered by the security breach, according to the preliminary settlement. Those with documented losses can ask for up to 15 hours of lost time, or \$375. Those who can't document losses can file claims seeking up to five hours, or \$125, for their time spent dealing with the breach. □

## Facebook removes Iran-linked accounts spreading false info

By **MICHAEL LIEDTKE**  
AP Technology Writer  
**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — Facebook has purged 82 pages, accounts and groups tied to an Iranian effort to exploit its social network and Instagram service to provoke social strife in the U.S. and the U.K. The housecleaning announced Friday is part of the countermeasures that Facebook put in place in an attempt to prevent abuses similar to those Russian agents used two years ago to sway public opinion ahead of the 2016 U.S. presidential election. Facebook has even set up a "war room" at its Menlo



This Feb. 19, 2014, file photo, shows a Facebook app icon on a smartphone in New York.

Park, California, headquarters ahead of key elections in Brazil on Sunday and in

the U.S. on Nov. 6. It serves as a command center for more than 20,000 workers

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assigned to weed out fake accounts set up to distribute false information. In this case, that war room began to detect a pattern of "inauthentic behavior" within the cluster of pages, accounts and groups that have now been kicked off its service. All were linked to Iran, although Facebook didn't find any ties to that country's government, Nathaniel Gleicher, Facebook's head of cyber security policy, wrote in a related blog post. This activity was aimed at "sowing discord" by posting content focused on politically charged topics such as race relations, im-

migration, opposition to Trump and the polarizing Senate hearings that ended in Brett Kavanaugh's confirmation to the U.S. Supreme. Facebook did an even broader sweep of its service in August when it discovered 652 pages, groups, and accounts linked to Russia and Iran. Preventing Facebook from becoming a cesspool of false information has become a top priority for CEO Mark Zuckerberg, who initially considered claims that fake news on his social network had swayed the 2016 election to be "pretty crazy." □



# Edmunds: How to not go broke when buying your first car

By **MATT JONES**  
**Associated Press**

A diligent first-time car buyer will spend hours checking out competing vehicles, test-driving, and choosing must-have car features. Then comes the decision to buy a new car or used one, or to lease. In short, if you're the typical first-time car shopper, you have a lot of research to do.

But many first-time buyers overlook what may be the most critical part of car buying: factoring in the total cost of the car.

Those costs blindsided Justin Perez, a recent college grad who lives in Boulder, Colorado.

He'd purchased his first used car and had done everything by the book: researching the vehicle, its history and even the reputation of the selling dealer. After negotiating a significant discount on the price and making a sizable down payment, he arrived at a monthly payment of \$340. To him, that would be the bulk of his total monthly spending for the car.

But he didn't appreciate just how much car ownership was going to cost him. Between the payment and other car expenses, including an insurance bill that was steeper than he'd planned on, he was averaging nearly \$700 per month.

"I expected to pay some amount over the payment, but I had no idea it was going to be this much," Perez said. He got a second job as a Lyft driver to make up the difference.

**HOW MUCH DOES A CAR REALLY COST?**

To fully understand the costs of buying a car, here's a look at the monthly estimated fuel, upkeep, repair

the assumed three-year period.

Used: The average transaction price for a used 2015

tips can spare you a budget scramble or even avert financial disaster if the car is ultimately too much to

and what will they cost? You can often find the owners' manuals on the carmakers' websites. They have schedules of recommended maintenance. Once you know what's required, call a few dealerships or independent car service centers to get price estimates.

Significant expenses: How much will it cost to replace a set of tires or brakes? What about other costly parts that might wear out? Fuel costs: How many miles do you plan to drive, and how much will you have to spend on fuel monthly? Could your budget withstand a spike in gas prices? Fuel economy.gov has a fuel savings calculator that can help you plan for the long term.

Insurance: Talk to an insurance agent or get a quote online. Be sure to ask about discounts for which you might qualify.

**BEWARE OF BUDGET CREEP**

It might seem that you could spare just a few more dollars each month for a car payment, but resist the urge to stretch your budget.

Even with the best planning, it can be hard to gauge just how much your car costs to run until you've lived with it for a while. Leave yourself some breathing room.

**EDMUNDS SAYS:** Seasoned owners know that a car payment is only the beginning of the overall costs of vehicle ownership.

First-time buyers should research ownership costs while shopping so they can make that first vehicle a dream car, not a nightmare on wheels. □



This undated photo provided by Edmunds shows Culver City Honda dealership in Culver City, Calif.

**Associated Press**

and insurance charges a driver can expect to pay in the first three years of owning a Honda Accord, a perennial top-seller.

Standard taxes and fees are part of this equation. We determined these ownership costs using the Edmunds True Cost to Own (TCO) tool.

The prices for the used, new and leased Honda Accord are based on Edmunds' analysis of 13,500 transactions that took place over the summer of 2018.

New: The average monthly payment for a 2018 Honda Accord purchased this summer was \$494. Once the ownership expenses are included, that monthly tab increases to \$728 over

Honda Accord bought this summer was about \$16,300, with an average payment of \$340 per month. Add in all expected operating costs, such as gas, insurance, routine maintenance and repairs, and the monthly cost balloons to \$670.

Leased: The current average monthly lease payment for a 2018 Honda Accord is \$353. Bundle that payment with the ownership costs and the all-in monthly cost is about \$596. It's bad enough to confront these extra costs during car shopping.

It's much worse if the realization comes after a car deal is done — and can't be undone. The following

handle and your lender repossesses it.

**PLAN ON SPENDING TWICE YOUR MONTHLY PAYMENT**

If you've budgeted \$250 for the car payment, plan instead on \$500 to cover it and the ownership costs. This is crucial if you're a young buyer facing high insurance rates, if you've chosen a used vehicle that is out of warranty, or if you've selected a new or used car that gets poor gas mileage.

**MAKE A CHECKLIST**

For each car you're considering, answer these cost questions:

Routine maintenance: What kind of services will this vehicle require? How often will they come up

## World's billionaires saw ranks, wealth grow in 2017

**Associated Press**

**BERLIN (AP)** — The rich got richer than ever before last year, with China leading the way.

Swiss bank UBS said Friday that its annual study of the world's billionaires found their combined wealth rose by \$1.4 trillion to an eye-popping \$8.9 trillion in 2017.

The number of billionaires around the globe also increased, from 1,979 in 2016 to 2,158 last year.

China alone saw two new billionaires emerge each week, highlighting the rapid rise of a class of super rich in the nominally communist country.

Many of the country's 373

billionaires — almost one in five of the global total — are self-made tycoons, often involved in the technology and retail sectors.

The report forecast that, driven by China, billionaires in Asia-Pacific will be wealthier than their American counterparts within three years. □



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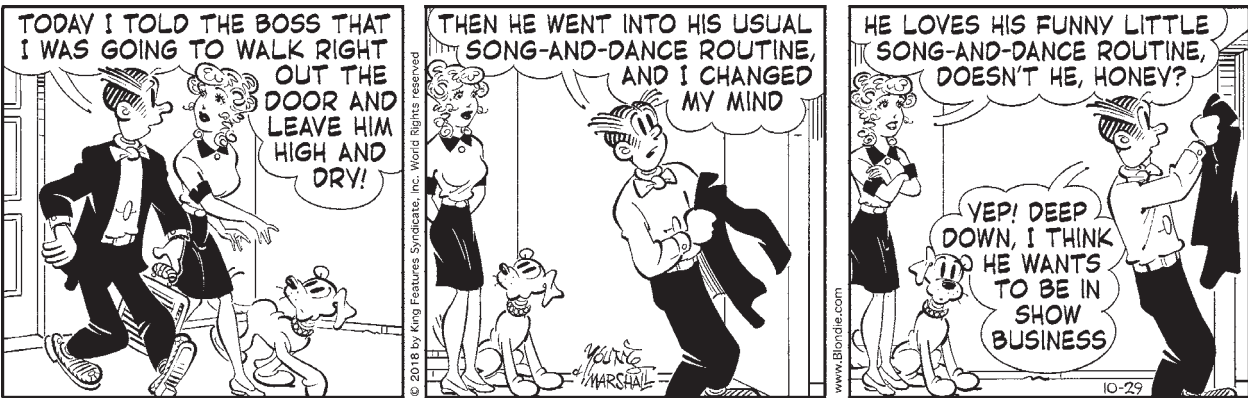
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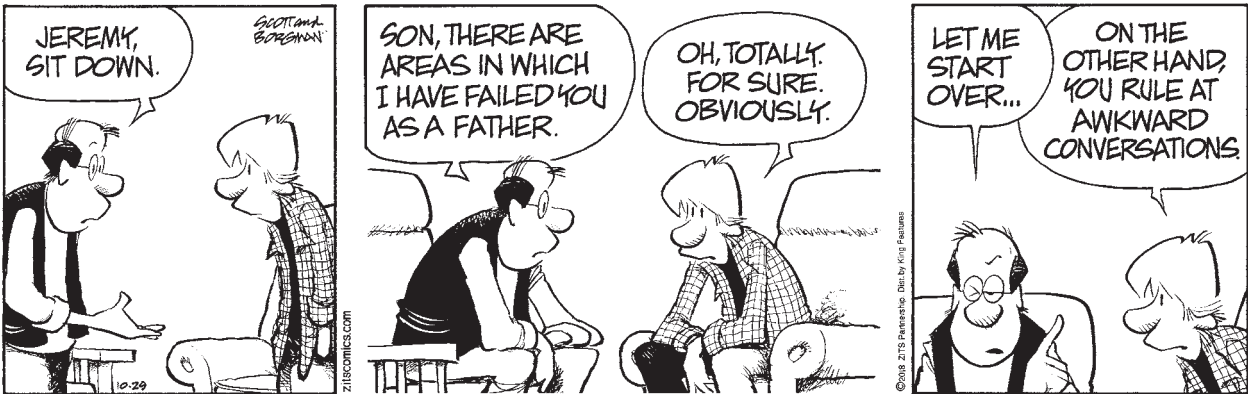
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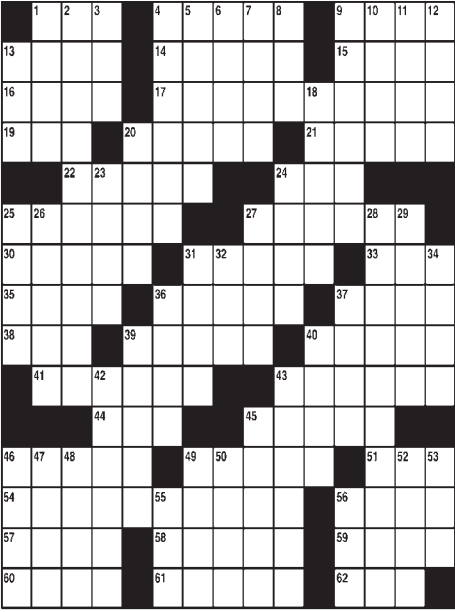
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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Conceptis Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

Saturday's puzzle answer

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- ACROSS
- 1 Pen name
  - 4 Quarrels
  - 9 Upper limbs
  - 13 Musical group
  - 14 \_\_\_ cotta; clay for patio pots
  - 15 Jeff Bridges' brother
  - 16 Comedian Johnson
  - 17 Get well
  - 19 Word of mild surprise
  - 20 Zebra's cousin
  - 21 Acting parts
  - 22 Lunch hours
  - 24 \_\_\_ man; unanimously
  - 25 PG, PG-13, or R, e.g.
  - 27 Intelligence
  - 30 Nimble
  - 31 Prayer before meals
  - 33 Nov. honoree
  - 35 Experts
  - 36 Ice cream maker handle
  - 37 Greek cheese
  - 38 Part of a royal flush
  - 39 Use a pepper mill
  - 40 Not urban
  - 41 \_\_\_ de corps; camaraderie
  - 43 Eggplant's color
  - 44 Scientist's workplace
  - 45 Tripoli's nation
  - 46 Remove the lid from
  - 49 Hoodlums
  - 51 Hemingway's "The Old Man and the \_\_\_"
  - 54 Leading the way
  - 56 As slippery \_\_\_ eel
  - 57 \_\_\_ more; again
  - 58 Funeral song
  - 59 Group of cattle
  - 60 Orderly
  - 61 Drive too fast
  - 62 Burro



Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews 10/29/18

Saturday's Puzzle Solved

CAB	OF THE	ARCH
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LIONS	FLANS	ALI
BANG	PRONG	BRAG
UNO	TRAPS	TEETH
MORPHINE	SENSES	
HEM	LANE	
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- 1 Uncovered
  - 2 Objectives
  - 3 File drawer, perhaps
  - 4 Powerful
  - 5 Equals
  - 6 Rainbows
  - 7 Word of agreement
  - 8 Gullible fool
  - 9 Overseas
  - 10 Authentic
  - 11 Partner
  - 12 Files a civil action against
  - 13 Sack
  - 18 Uneven
  - 20 Sharpen
  - 23 Lubricates
  - 24 Lyme disease spreader
  - 25 Engrossed
  - 26 Concur
  - 27 Magician's rod
  - 28 Highways that cross above others
  - 29 Tin or silver
  - 31 Fortitude; tenacity
  - 32 Trotted
  - 34 Yarn
  - 36 Baby's bed
  - 37 Wrath
  - 39 Juice flavor
  - 40 Massages
  - 42 Mercury, for one
  - 43 \_\_\_ out; overate
  - 45 Sudden forward rush
  - 46 "Once \_\_\_ a time..."
  - 47 Morning hour
  - 48 Comic actress Imogene
  - 49 Stumble
  - 50 Take on employees
  - 52 All \_\_\_; listening
  - 53 Connecting word
  - 55 Sullivan and O'Neill
  - 56 "Caughtcha!"



## Activists demand closure of Puerto Rico zoo after deaths

By DANICA COTO

Associated Press

**SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico (AP)** — Animal rights activists demanded Friday that Puerto Rico permanently close its only zoo and relocate all animals to sanctuaries following reports of deaths and improper care. The California-based Animal Legal Defense Fund and local organizations accused the U.S. territory's government of violating the Animal Welfare Act and the Endangered Species Act at a zoo that held more than 300 species last year.

"These animals are just languishing there without any veterinary care or safe and wholesome food and proper shelter," said Cristina Stella, the fund's attorney, in a phone interview. The 45-acre Dr. Juan A. Rivero zoo has remained closed to the public since Hurricane Irma brushed past Puerto Rico in early September 2017 as a Category 5 storm, followed by a direct hit from Hurricane Maria, a Category 4 storm. Activists and some government officials raised concerns about the animals' health prior to the storms given the zoo's financial constraints amid a 12-year recession, but some worry the situation has worsened. In early October, Puerto Rico's Department of Natural Resources ordered an investigation into the deaths of animals that occurred after the storms and questioned whether the zoo followed proper procedure to dispose of their corpses.

A recent letter from a government-appointed committee looking into problems at the zoo located in the western coastal city of Mayaguez highlighted multiple issues. It noted that several animals including two pumas have died, that others including a rhinoceros named Felipe were limping, and that 127 mammals needed physical tests or vaccines, 30 of them urgently.

The letter also said that a



In this July 7, 2017 file photo, two lions sleep on a rainy day inside their enclosure at the Dr. Juan A. Rivero Zoo in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

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chimpanzee was underweight and that animals including a kangaroo and a porcupine didn't have shelter.

Aniel Bigio, a spokesman for the Department of Natural Resources, said officials would not issue further comment until the investigation is complete and the zoo comes under their direction. It is currently transitioning over from the Department of Recreation and Sports.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture has cited dozens of violations at the zoo in recent years. In 2017, it noted that a tiger that has since been euthanized was thin and had not been evaluated since 2015. It also noted that a cougar was in

distress and living in a "minimal amount of space."

In early February, the USDA cancelled the zoo's exhibitor's license, a move that Stella, the Animal Legal Defense Fund attorney, called unusual.

The zoo is currently closed to the public and it is unclear when or if it will reopen.

Sahir Pujols, with the local welfare group Free Animals Puerto Rico, said plans to send the zoo's only elephant, Mundi, to a sanctuary in the U.S. mainland have been put on hold until the hurricane season ends on Nov. 30.

The government has not approved any additional plans to move other animals to sanctuaries. □



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# GM proposes nationwide zero-emissions vehicle sales mandate



In this Oct. 26, 2018, file photo, downtown Los Angeles is shrouded in early morning coastal fog and smog.

By **TOM KRISHER**

**AP Auto Writer**

**DETROIT (AP)** — General Motors says it will ask the federal government for one national gas mileage standard, including a requirement that a percentage of auto companies' sales be zero-emissions vehicles.

Mark Reuss, GM's executive vice president of product development, said the company will propose that a certain percentage of nationwide sales be made up of vehicles that run on electricity or hydrogen fuel cells.

"A national zero emissions program will drive the scale and infrastructure investments needed to allow the U.S. to lead the way to a zero emissions future," Reuss said.

GM, the nation's largest automaker, spelled out

the request Friday in written comments on a Trump administration proposal to roll back Obama-era fuel economy and emissions standards, freezing them at 2020 levels instead of gradually making them tougher. California Gov. Jerry Brown, whose state was one of many opponents to the mileage rollbacks filing objections to the Trump plan, stood in front of Interstate 5 in Sacramento on Friday to urge the cause of cleaner cars and condemn the administration's proposal.

"Foolishly, it mandates gas guzzlers instead of clean and zero-emission vehicles," Brown told reporters as trucks and passenger traffic roared past. "Wrong way to go, Donald. Get with it. Bad."

Under a regulation finalized by the Environmental Protection Agency at the

end of the Obama administration, the fleet of new automobiles would have to get 36 miles per gallon (15 kilometers per liter) by 2025, 10 miles per gallon (4 kilometers per liter) higher than the current requirement.

But the Trump administration's preferred plan is to freeze the standards starting in 2021. Administration officials say waiving the tougher fuel efficiency requirements would make vehicles more affordable, which would get safer cars into consumer hands more quickly. GM on Thursday said it doesn't support the freeze, but wants flexibility to deal with consumers' shift from cars to less-efficient SUVs and trucks.

Its proposed requirement would be based on current standards now required in California and nine other states. Under those rules, GM must sell a minimum of around 2,200 fully electric vehicles in California this year, or about 1.1 percent of the roughly 200,000 cars, trucks and SUVs that it normally sells in the state each year.

California sets the requirements based on a complex formula that considers the total number of vehicles

sold by an automaker and gives credits for fully electric vehicle sales and partial credits for plug-in gas-electric hybrid vehicles. Credits can be banked or sold to other automakers that need them.

GM's proposal would set lower zero-emissions vehicle requirements than California, but spread them to the entire nation. The requirements would gradually increase until 2025.

Reuss said GM's proposal is a starting point for discussions on one set of national fuel efficiency and zero-emissions vehicle standards.

"We want really one national set of standards," he said. "Engineering to multiple standards is very costly and frankly, unnecessary." Federal and California gas mileage standards have been the same since 2010. But if President Donald Trump's administration ends up relaxing the requirements, it could create two standards, one for California and states that follow it, and another for the rest of the nation.

California, whose unique authority to set its own vehicle emissions standards would be rolled back un-

der the administration's proposal, submitted more than 400 pages of analysis rejecting the plan and the research behind it.

California argues freezing emissions standards for six model years would exacerbate climate change, depress research in cleaner technologies and lead to higher spending on gasoline. It also says the plan endangers the U.S. auto industry by allowing other countries to take the lead in developing affordable electric vehicles and batteries.

"I think a lot of the car companies know they've got to build clean, electric or hydrogen cars," Brown said at Friday's interstate news conference. "If they don't, they'll be working for Chinese companies."

Separately, 21 attorneys general and five cities signed a letter saying the administration's proposal is illegal. Trump could challenge California's power to set its own standards, granted under the Clean Air Act, and that could set up a lengthy legal battle since California has pledged to defend its quest to reduce pollution.

The EPA's acting administrator, Andrew Wheeler, has said he wants a single mileage standard nationally. Wheeler "has pledged to work in earnest with states and stakeholders to find a solution as we take comments on the new proposal," agency spokesman James Hewitt said Friday.

Environmental groups still are likely to oppose any changes in the standards. Daniel Becker of the Safe Climate Campaign, an environmental advocacy group, said automakers like GM want the federal government to set standards rather than California because it's easier to lobby for loopholes in Washington. "The auto companies want to be able to make a small number of electric vehicles and a large number of gas-guzzling SUVs and other trucks instead of complying with the existing mileage and emissions rules," Becker said. □



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# Country bluesman, hit songwriter Tony Joe White dies

By KRISTIN M. HALL

Associated Press

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP)** — A record label representative says Tony Joe White, the country bluesman and hit songwriter behind such successes as "Polk Salad Annie" and "Rainy Night in Georgia," has died. He was 75.

A statement released Thursday from the record label Yep Roc Music Group said White's family confirmed the rocker died Wednesday in Nashville, Tennessee. The label did not have any details on his cause of death. Yep Roc released his last album in September called "Bad Mouthin,'" a collection of blues classics. White, originally from Louisiana, had a hit in 1969 with "Polk Salad Annie" and his songs were covered by Elvis Presley, Hank Williams Jr., Tina Turner, Ray Charles, Waylon Jennings and many more.

In his five decades as a

singer-songwriter, White was best known for his swamp rock style mixing blues, country and rock 'n' roll, which earned him the nickname the Swamp Fox especially with his fans overseas. With his deep growling voice, his song about the Southern greens wasn't an immediate hit, but months after its release it eventually became a pop hit.

White told The Associated Press in 2006 that in the late '60s many people thought he was singing about something else.

"Back then, people thought polk salad was grass," White said. "They'd bring me bags of grass backstage and say, 'Hey, we brought you a little polk.'" Presley often covered the song in the 1970s and performed it with relish, waving his arms over his head and dancing throughout the song. He would later record more of White's songs,



In this Oct. 14, 2014 file photo, Tony Joe White attends the premiere of HBO's "Foo Fighters Sonic Highway" in New York.

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including "I've Got a Thing About You Baby."

Raised on a cotton farm in Goodwill, Louisiana, about 20 miles west of the Mississippi River, he became infatuated with the hypnotic sound of Lightnin' Hopkins and has often cited hearing the song "Ode to Billie Joe" by Bobbie Gentry as his inspiration for songwriting.

After the success of "Polk Salad Annie," R&B artist Brook Benton had a hit in 1970 with White's song "Rainy Night in Georgia," which also became a song often covered by other artists.

Jennings and White also wrote "Trouble Man," which Jennings recorded in 1989. White worked with Turner on her critically ac-

claimed and popular "Foreign Affair" album in 1989, contributing four songs and playing guitar and harmonica.

White said also in 2006 that Turner was taken aback when they first met.

"She turned around and looked at me and started hysterically laughing and couldn't get her breath," he recalled. "She was doubling over and I thought, 'Are my pants unzipped or something?' Finally she got her breath and came over to me and gave me a big hug and said, 'I'm sorry, man. Ever since 'Polk Salad Annie' I always thought you were a black man.'"

Turner recorded his song "Steamy Windows," which was later recorded by John Anderson and Kenny Chesney.

Tanya Tucker, who recorded his song "Gospel Singer," said in a statement that White's writing and voice were both raw and pure. □

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# 'Mid90s' is a nostalgia trip without a destination

By **JAKE COYLE**  
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A year after Greta Gerwig's "Lady Bird" comes another actor-turned-director's memory-inspired California-set coming-of-age tale from the boutique film studio A24. This time, the time period has been dialed back a few years (from the early '00s to the mid-'90s), Dave Matthews Band has been traded for A Tribe Called Quest, and the filmmaking talent is far less revelatory.

Though affectionately and sometimes precisely recalled, Jonah Hill's thinly sketched directorial debut "Mid90s" feels both sincerely personal and highly derivative at once: a pre-digital slice of life that forces contrived narratives onto what ought to have remained a fleeter, kaleidoscopic ride. Thirteen-year-old Stevie (Sunny Suljic) is drawn inexorably to the local skate shop near his lower-middle-class, single-parent home. Stevie lives with his loving mother (Katherine Waterston, adding depth to every scene



This image released by A24 Films shows Lucas Hedges, left, and Sunny Suljic in a scene from "Mid90s."

she appears in) and abusive older brother (Lucas Hedges), whose rage goes largely unexplained and whose brutal blows (shown from the film's first scene) are unnaturally amplified to action-movie-level ferocity. Still, he's got a rad CD collection, which Stevie studiously takes notes

from when his brother isn't around. But in the skate shop, and among its older teenage regulars, Stevie finds a refuge. He gradually cozies up to them, trades some video games for a skate board, and soon finds himself a member of the group — or at least its smaller, younger, mop-headed mascot. They are expert skaters, foul-mouthed storytellers, 40-drinking partiers who gleefully disrespect authority. (The movie's best

scene is an exchange with a security guard, played by Jerrod Carmichael.) In Suljic's bright eyes, as he thrills to his rapidly widening world, Hill captures that glorious adolescent feeling: fitting in.

Shot in grainy 16mm and a 4-3 ratio by cinematographer Christopher Blauvelt, "Mid90s" — which takes liberally from Larry Clark's documentary-styled "Kids" — is first and foremost fetishized nostalgia that delights in

nothing as much as period-appropriate, pre-digital minutiae. The soundtrack, from The Pharcyde to the Pixies, often seems more primary than the story. No space that couldn't be filled with a "Street Fighter II" T-shirt, "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles" bedding or mention of a "Blockbuster night" has gone wanting. (There is also a score by Atticus Ross and Trent Reznor, whose Nine Inch Nails was at its peak in the mid-90s — yet another reminder of how much has changed in the last two decades.)

"Mid90s" is at its best when exploring the group dynamics of its motley skating crew, several of whom are played by professional skateboarders. There's the younger, jealous Ruben (Gio Galicia), the dim-witted aspiring filmmaker Fourth Grade (Ryder McLaughlin), a boisterous, swaggering long blond-haired kid with an unprintable nickname, and the group's unquestioned leader, Ray (Na-kel Smith). Their dialogue is laced with homophobic and sexist slurs, which is surely just as authentic to the period as a DiscMan. But, like so much else in "Mid90s," it goes unexamined. □

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## Meghan's wedding gown goes on display at Windsor Castle

By **GREGORY KATZ**  
**Associated Press**

**LONDON (AP)** — Meghan, the Duchess of Sussex, has described how she worked with designer Clare Waight Keller of Givenchy to create a "timeless" wedding gown for her wedding to Prince Harry earlier this year. Harry and the former Meghan Markle recorded their memories of the wedding for an audio commentary that is part of the new "Relive the Royal Wedding" exhibition at Windsor Castle that opened Friday.

The gown and the five-meter-long veil Meghan wore with it are set to be



The wedding dress that Meghan the Duchess of Sussex wore and an identical uniform to the specially commissioned one Prince Harry wore at their wedding are displayed as part of exhibition entitled 'A Royal Wedding: The Duke and Duchess of Sussex.'

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the prime attraction at the 10-week display.

In the audio recording, the former actress said she had a clear idea of what she wanted to wear from the

start.

"I knew at the onset I wanted a bateau neckline, I wanted a cropped sleeve, I wanted a very timeless, classic feeling," she said. □

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# Amber Heard says she is happy to have moved on with her life

By LINDSEY BAHR  
Associated Press

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Actress Amber Heard has a movie coming out this weekend that will be new to theaters and mass audiences, but for her it's actually quite old.

"London Fields," an adaptation of a 1989 Martin Amis mystery, has been in some stage of development for almost 20 years. Heard didn't get involved until 2013, with music video director Matthew Cullen at the helm, but the roadblocks and behind the scenes drama had only just begun. The film was abruptly pulled from the Toronto International Film Festival in 2015 (after some critics had already seen it) when Cullen sued the producers over a dispute about payment and the final cut, which set off a string of countersuits. Producers even sued Heard for \$10 million, which she countered with a suit that claimed the production had violated her nudity agreement by using a body double.

It would take until September, five years after cameras started rolling, for the producers to settle, and now the film is finally preparing to debut this weekend in 600 theaters.

"Can you imagine what it would be like for you to talk about an article that you wrote or a piece you did five years ago?" Heard, 32, said, laughing via phone from London this week.

She can barely relate to the person who did this a half decade ago, when she was in her 20s and newly married to her now ex-husband Johnny Depp, who has a small role in the film. "All of those factors have changed," she said. "It's been so long."

She can't quite recall which version she's last seen of the movie which co-stars Billy Bob Thornton, Theo James and Jim Sturgess, although she does still find her character Nicola Six interesting.

"You can make different cases for her being empowered or disempow-



In this Oct. 9, 2018 file photo, actress Amber Heard arrives at the American Music Awards in Los Angeles.

ered," Heard said of the clairvoyant femme fatale who's also trapped by an idea that, "death is preferable to the decline of youthful female sexuality." Overall, Heard is happy that "London Fields" is finally coming out and says that the issues that have kept it out of theaters "are behind us now," but that she would have been, "Much happier had the film come out three years ago."

She said it was "unfortunate" and "very wrong" that she was sued and is glad that they were able to settle and that she ultimately didn't have to pay any money.

"But it's very important for a female actress or any woman to be able to exercise her own control over her own body and her image," Heard added. "I'm glad that the version of the movie being released is supposedly respectful ... with regards specifically to nudity and my nudity agreement. But again, those issues are in the past."

"In the past" is a phrase that Heard repeats often and the release of "London Fields" helps to close a chapter in her life, and allows her to focus on the future, her humanitarian work and the December release of her most high-profile film to date, the DC comic book movie "Aquaman" in which she stars opposite Jason Momoa as Mera, a sea queen with Little Mermaid-red hair (she was introduced in a small

appearance in "Justice League").

It took some convincing for her to make that uncharacteristic leap. "I'm not

that kind of girl," Heard remembered telling the producers. "There's a reason I've done probably a lot of bad things in my life with regard to films," she said. "I've struggled and tried to make my way through this business and I haven't had the luxury to be picky, like most people who start off in the figurative mail room, but there's one thing I've avoided, and it's being relegated to the archetypal, reactionary woman ... I've never been a rom-com princess."

She even remembered rolling her eyes when the producers described Mera as a "badass," but she decided to read a comic book (her first ever) to see what the fuss was about, and found in Mera an un-

apologetic warrior queen who she was actually interested in. Lately, Heard has been throwing herself into her humanitarian work and activism. She went to Washington D.C. to show her support for survivors on the day Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh was confirmed in October and recently finished up a stretch speaking at the One Young World Summit in The Hague.

"It's incredibly rewarding to be able to use what experience I've lived and endured, suffered, survived through," she said. "It's amazing to be able to use one's experiences in life to help others, to help push the conversation forward, to change the conversation." □

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# Museum spotlights connection between Matisse, Alaska Natives

By **TERRY TANG**  
Associated Press

**PHOENIX (AP)** — Nearly 64 years after his death, Henri Matisse has become one of the few non-Native Americans to have an exhibition at a Phoenix museum dedicated to Native American culture.

The little-known intersection of one of the 20th century's greatest artists and Inuit people in the Arctic region is at the heart of a show opening Monday at the Heard Museum.

"It's a story I didn't know much about until 1998 when I became friendly with a member of the Matisse family," said museum director David Roche. "It truly took several years to absorb it all. It spans centuries, cultures and continents."

"Yua: Henri Matisse and the Inner Arctic Spirit" will feature Matisse's portraits of the Inuit people, which have never been displayed in the U.S. But the French artist, who died in 1954, will share the spotlight with Alaska Natives who influenced him. Yup'ik masks made by Alaskan Natives, some of which were collected by Matisse's son-in-law during World War II, will be just as much a part of the exhibit.

The Heard is the only place showcasing the unconventional pairing.

"We have a lot of historic firsts in this particular work," said curator Sean Mooney. "We're kind of doing an exhibition within an exhibition by having these two parallel displays of historic Yup'ik



Curator Sean Mooney checks the final installation of an assortment of Yup'ik masks made by Alaskan Natives at the Heard Museum, Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018, in Phoenix.

masks and this very specific historic body of work by Matisse."

Matisse is more widely lauded as a pioneer in Fauvism — a style characterized by vivid colors and less controlled brush strokes. But he became interested in indigenous cultures in the 1940s. Son-in-law Georges Duthuit had acquired an array of the masks and other materials while living in New York City as World War II broke out, Mooney said. In 1946, Duthuit returned to France with his collection.

He and Matisse's daughter, Marguerite, suggested Matisse do three illustrations for a proposed book on the Arctic people. He made 50. Matisse, according to Mooney, looked at masks made of wood, feathers and other materials,

and two books with photographs of Inuit men and women. The museum will have several black-and-white portraits, including charcoal drawings and lithographs. Taken with the culture, Matisse even began referring to any portrait he did as a mask.

"With a stroke, he created what he called masks," said co-curator Chuna McIntyre, who is Central Yup'ik. "He got the essence. It's amazing — pared down, quiet interior, personal creations."

Villagers would traditionally tell stories with the masks through song or dance, paying respect to "yua." According to the Yup'ik culture, "yua" means spirit but can also refer to the spirit inside living creatures, inanimate objects and their connection to each other. "Everything that exists in this universe has the potential of yua because it exists here. That's an old concept in Yup'ik," McIntyre said. "There's a whole gravity to it. Yua — it's in a being, it's in a person."

Yup'ik Eskimos comprise one of 11 distinct cultures among Alaska Natives in the southwest part of the state, according to the Alaska Native Heritage Center. Marge Nakak, a cultural host at the center, said masks are traditionally worn at annual festivals be-

tween Native villages during a gathering known as a potlatch.

Historically, the masks were discarded after a ceremony. Sometimes they were burned or left on the tundra, Nakak said.

Some American Indian cultures would not consider showing ceremonial items such as masks because they consider them to be living beings not meant for display. Yup'ik people, on the other hand, tend to be more transparent, McIntyre said. He said the masks always have been intended to be shared in public performance.

"We Yup'iks feel in terms of museum collections, museums are caretakers of our civilizations' treasures. That's important to say," McIntyre said.

In the early 20th century, the masks and Native cultures in general gained a following among traders and collectors who were interested in preservation, Mooney said. Many masks ended up in museums. George Gustav Heye, whose vast collection of Native American objects shaped the Smithsonian's National Museum of the American Indian, was one of the leaders in bringing artifacts to New York City, where they came into the orbit of the French intelligentsia.

Masks typically are created in pairs or other groupings to represent symbolic relationships such as male and female, or night and day. So, the show will mean reuniting masks that have been separated for, in some cases, a century, museum director Roche said. After the exhibition closes Feb. 3, some masks will go on display in Alaska.

Some people may question giving space at a museum for American Indian artists to a white, European one. But Roche said the exhibition has immense support because of its duality.

"The Heard has been a leader in presenting American Indian art with great sensitivity," Roche said. "I think it's meaningful that we are working in this way. I think stories, to be told well, often have to be told from multiple perspectives."

Matisse will likely draw people who normally wouldn't go to the Heard and expose them to Alaskan Native cultures. □



An assortment of Yup'ik masks made by Alaskan Natives are displayed at the Heard Museum, Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018, in Phoenix.

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Heard Museum associate registrar Kristen Laughlin checks the light balance on a pair of Matisse drawings during final preparations, Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018, in Phoenix.

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